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### Tickets should be settled in court, not council meetings

This is about the African-Americans coming to the Westland City Council meeting and complaining about being pulled over in Westland. That should be settled in court, and not at the city council meeting.

Also, what are they trying to say? If you're black you can drive through Westland and make illegal turns? If you're following the law, you're not going to be pulled over by the Westland police.

The Westland police do their job; they don't act on race.

There must have been a reason for the other city to have a warrant out on the driver because Westland had to hold him for Hamtramck.

The Westland police do their job, thanks to Emery Price.

### Police should stop Westland residents who burn trash onsite

I'm a responding to the Sound Off about trash burners in Westland.

Why do these people have to burn? We have trash pickup. I don't see the point.

I live in Westland and there's four people around me with burning barrels.

When I call the fire department, they come out, tell the people they can't burn, and that's the end of it. Would I be better off living in Wayne?

These trash burners don't do any good. Look at the lady you wrote about who had the paint on her car burnt by a trash burner's ashes.

We all know that it's not good for the environment and certainly people who suffer from asthma know it's a threat to their health.

If the police were doing their job, they would stop these trash burners.

### Westland Housing Commission allegedly treats seniors like dirt

I just finished reading about all the blessed events that Westland put the citizens through this past year. Here's one more you can add to it: Westland Housing Commission treating its seniors like

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# City issues nixed by voters



## Class of 2000 graduation

Hats off to the future, Romulus Senior High School graduates signaled last Saturday prior to their graduation. From left are Eric Renner, Rachel Kolar, ----- Dulaney and Candice Bingham. MCN Special Photo

# Basham shocked as DEQ issues wetlands permit

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

State Rep. Raymond Basham (D-Taylor) expressed shock Monday on hearing that the state Department of Environmental Quality had issued a wetlands permit so quickly to Environmental Disposal Systems.

Basham felt strongly that the DEQ would have taken more deliberate time in studying the issue, following a letter he had sent to Gov. John Engler.

The letter was endorsed by numerous other state legislators, Basham said, including 13

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on the GOP side.

In the letter Basham reminded Engler of the strong anti-deepwell sentiment in the Romulus-Taylor area, as well as the advisory vote against the well by the state's Site Review Board.

Since EDS had briefly pul-

led it's application for a wetlands permit earlier, Basham like others took the DEQ at its word that a delay could be caused by the resubmittal of the application and possibly even a new public hearing could be called on the wetlands issue itself.

But Ken Silfven, spokesperson for the DEQ, said Tuesday that the wetlands permit had been issued last Friday.

The physical changes in the plan are that EDS will fill 3 1/2 acres of wetlands on its Citrin Drive property and under the mitigation plan would create 5.35 acres of wetlands on its Wahrman Road property.

# Lenossi, Woods win in school election

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

For the second time this year voters have rejected Mayor William Oakley's requests to hike financial elements of three city charter issues created by inflation that has driven prices up in the last 30 years.

All three charter change proposals were rejected Monday -- with Proposal 1 losing by only four votes.

Back on Feb. 22 the city placed five such charter issues before the public and only one passed at that time.

While usually such issues cannot be placed back on the ballot for two years, City Attorney Steven Hitchcock rewrote the four issues that failed.

Oakley felt an unusually high negative vote count in the Republican Primary may have cost the city the first ballot try and asked for a rerun in June.

The city council killed one proposal because it contained a high dollar amount and the remaining three charter change requests were permitted by the state's attorney general's office and the council.

The unofficial vote on Monday's three ballot issues was: Proposal A, yes vote 368, no vote 372.

Proposal B, yes vote 339, no vote 390.

Proposal C, yes vote 341, no vote 393.

Oakley said he was disappointed again that voters apparently believe that there is a tax hike involved in this issue.

Oakley administration forces tried to inform the public that no such tax hikes are part of these three proposals.

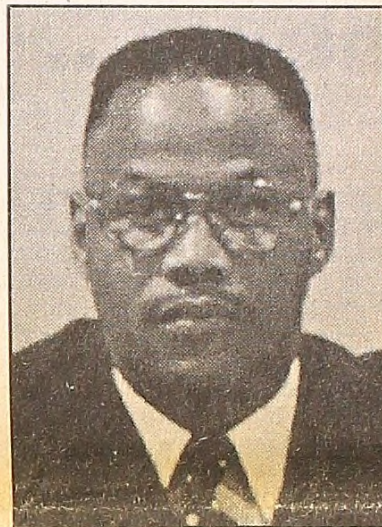
"It's the old story," Oakley said, "voters feel when in doubt -- vote no."

Councilman LeRoy Burcroff also revealed he was "discouraged" by the vote totals and while he supported running the ballot options a second time Monday, he didn't think he would back a third running of the issues on a crowded Presidential ballot this November.

Burcroff said he still feels



Betty Lenossi



Michael Woods

*It's the old story, voters feel when in doubt -- vote no.*  
- William Oakley

the city needs the proposals approved by the voters. He said the defeat probably was caused by voters who didn't read the entire ballot questions.

"But we will abide by the voters' decision," he said.

### SCHOOL BOARD RESULTS

In the Romulus School Board race for two seats, incumbents Betty Lenossi and Michael Woods outlasted challenger Rob McLachlan to win new four year terms.

Unofficial results showed that Lenossi -- known as "Miss Betty" before her retirement five years ago as a long-term school bus driver -- proved to be the top vote getter with 561 votes.

Lenossi on Tuesday morning issued a warm thank you to all Romulus School District voters, who "returned me to the school board for the next four years to complete some projects already started."

Woods -- who had served back in the 80's and returned to the school board four years ago -- also won with 441 votes.

McLachlan -- a former Westwood School Trustee -- who was making his first try for a local school board seat garnered 223 votes.

The city clerk's office reported there were no write-in votes.

The school board race was marked by quiet campaigning on both sides. But Lenossi and Woods supporters reportedly campaigned heavily in McLachlan's home turf in the Hale Creek School area two weeks ago.

McLachlan, who confessed to running a very frugal campaign, was not sure if his message got out to enough voters prior to the election.



J.C. Huizenga, chairman of the National Heritage Academies, thanks those in attendance at last week's "history-making" ground breaking for the first charter school to be erected in Romulus. MCN Photo by Al Post.

dents usually come from a three-mile radius of the school.

The wooden frame of the first portion of the school

building also was on view at the groundbreaking. It was pledged that the school facility will be completed prior to the planned opening in August.



# People in the news

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M I C H I G A N C O M M U N I T Y N E W S P A P E R S



## Oldest graduate

Seventy-five year old graduate Jene Whitlock is flanked by Romulus School Board Trustees Ken Berlin and Eva Webb following her Adult Education School graduation ceremonies last week at Romulus High.

MCN Special Photo

## People in the news...

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

**Amber Nicole Ostrander**, daughter of Carl and Kristle Ostrander of Redford, was born April 1, 2000 at St. Mary's Hospital in Livonia.

She weighed seven pounds and three ounces at birth and measured 20 and 1/2 inches.

She joins two siblings, Alexis, 3, and Aubrey, 1.

Her grandparents include: Gene and Helen Ostrander of Westland and Bill and Etta



Amber Nicole Ostrander

Grima of Canton.

Her great-grandmothers include Mary Grima and Frances Zarb.

Navy Petty Officer 3rd

Class **Edward G. Essenburg, II**, son of Deborah M. Essenburg of Wayne, visited Rota, Spain recently while on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea.

Essenburg is serving aboard the amphibious transport dock ship USS Trenton -- that home-ports in Norfolk, Va.

While in Spain, the crew of the USS Trenton had time to shop and sightsee as well as enjoy the Spanish cuisine and culture.

As part of the USS Wasp Amphibious Ready Group, the USS Trenton participated in a close-in rig refueling exercise with the other ships.

A close-in rig gives combatant ships the ability to refuel each other, as opposed to an oiler giving the fuel.

Essenburg joined the U.S. Navy in January 1997.

## Chemistry teacher cited

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

**Rachel Badanowski** -- a veteran chemistry teacher from Belleville -- has been honored with 11 other top teachers at a Newsweek-WDIV honors program.

The teachers across three area counties were treated to a dinner reception and were given \$2,000, a crystal apple and a commemorative Newsweek magazine cover bearing their likeness.

Badanowski is a chemistry teacher in Southfield High School.

**Crystal Simpson**, a junior at Central Michigan University, displayed her research project at a student exhibition recently.

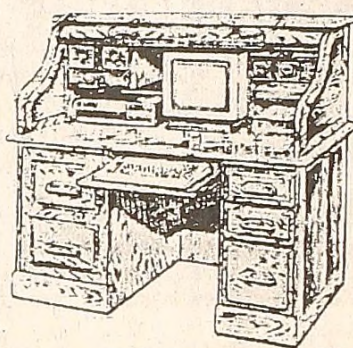
The project tested a new method of mimicking physical and intellectual impairments in a rodent model of Huntington's Disease.

She is the daughter of Carol Simpson and Everett Cargill.



Belleville resident Rachel Badanowski, a chemistry teacher at Southfield High School, is flanked at an outstanding teacher awards program by WDIV-TV co-hosts Devin Scillian and Carmen Harlan. MCN Special Photo

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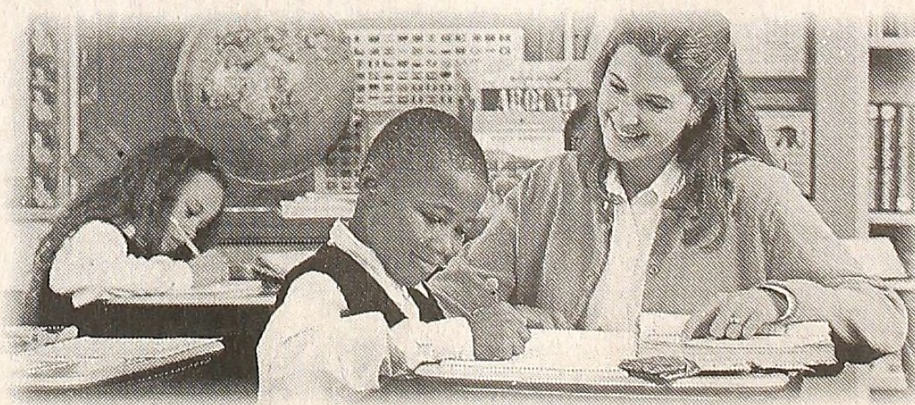
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# Sound Off

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dirt.

We are the ones who settled Westland when it was Nankin. We're being pushed out because whoever is running Westland Housing Commission doesn't know up from down. Some rents change and fluctuate as much as every other month.

This is a sad situation. They can all be very proud on the council how they run this city into the ground.

## Westland officials oblivious that Wayne Road street lights out

Have any of the movers and shakers and high rollers that run the show here, or the police department, which is now the public safety department, noticed that the street lights on both sides of Wayne Road, from Palmer to Cherry Hill, have been out for close to a year?

Does anybody care?

What is wrong with these people?

## Snow plowing money should be used to cut Westland's weeds

Westland Mayor Thomas, you don't get to play on one of your favorite themes: snow plowing.

Snow plowing is hardly necessary any more, especially the last several years.

Looks like you can spend the money you set aside for snow plowing for cutting weeds and picking up trash.

## Unmarked cars should police punks running amok in subdivisions

The Westland Police Department needs to take the bull by the horns and do something about these adolescent neighborhood bullies who are running amok in some subdivisions.

If they did their homework and

followed up and investigated they would find out that some of these pests aren't being taken care of. Some of them are on their own from daylight to dark, sometimes to midnight. That's what their problem is.

Send undercover police cars out and you can see them doing their dirty work and aggravating the people.

And the Westland Police Department knows who we're talking about, too. The incident was this week.

## Ben E. was right: something needed to stop gas price gouging

The Ben E. Jet column [about high gas prices] in the June 4 Eye-witness really ticked me off.

Someone is trying to pull something on the American public, and we're not going to take it for long.

I agree with everything in there. You tell 'em, Benny.

## Presidential action needed to lower gas prices, school heroin use

With gas prices going up and high school heron use rising, President Clinton better do something to bring both down.

## Which county employee does McNamara favor for state rep?

Our Council person, Pam Dobrowolski, she's the one running the opposition to Warfield's campaign, and she works for Ed McNamara. I think you're picking on the wrong person. Get your facts straight before you run an article [a Sound Off] in the paper again.

Ken Warfield does not work for Ed McNamara. The only one who works for Ed McNamara is Council person, Pam Dobrowolski [Both work for Wayne County, which McNamara administers - Ed]. She is Ken Warfield's opposition's campaign manager - concentrate on her and get all of your facts straight instead of printing this garbage in the paper.

## Ordinance #5-2-00

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN

### WAYNE COUNTY

Second Reading for adoption.

An Ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance 6-2-92 as amended by Ordinance 2-16-99 of the Charter Township of Van Buren Regulations pertaining to Sexually Oriented Businesses.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN HEREBY ORDAINS:

20.424	Section 4.49 Regulated Uses;	
	c. Conditions of Approval;	Amended
	d. Time Limits for Review;	Amended
	d. 1.	Added
	d. 2.	Added
	d. 3.	Added
	d. 4.	Added
	e. Effect of Denial;	Renamed
	f. Revocations;	Renamed
	g. Reconstruction of Damaged Regulated Uses;	Renamed

20.878	Section 20.878 Powers of the Township Board Concerning Special Approvals	
	g. Approve	Amend

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, called and held on the 6th day of June, 2000.

YEAS: Budd, Hart, Herman, Rochowiak, Foster, King  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Clark

This Ordinance shall be immediately recorded by the Township Clerk in the Township Ordinance Book as soon as it is adopted, which record shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Supervisor and Clerk and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township within ten (10) days after its passage.

I hereby approve the foregoing Ordinance.

Cindy C. King, Township Clerk

Helen Foster, Supervisor

Adopt:	06-06-00
Publish:	05-25-00
	06-15-00
Effective:	06-15-00

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN

## NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 6-2-92 AS AMENDED  
PROPOSED REZONING MAP NO. 6-6-00

First reading of ordinance. Second Reading for adoption will be held at the 7:30 p.m. regular Board Meeting of June 20, 2000 held in the Board of Trustees Room, 46425 Tyler Road, Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, Michigan, 48111.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE 6-2-92 AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP IN CONNECTION THERE WITH

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ORDAINS:

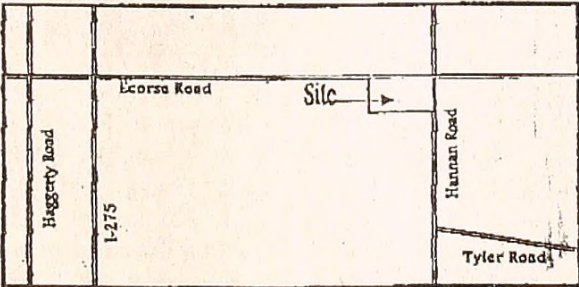
Section 1. The Zoning Map in connection with the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Van Buren shall be amended so that the following property described to wit:

Map No. 6-6-00

To rezone the following from AG (Agricultural and Estates District) to C (Local Business District).

Legal description of the property:

Parcels of Land in the northeast quarter of section 12, parcel numbers: V-125-83-045-99-0001-000, V-125-83-045-99-0002-000, V-125-83-045-99-0003-000. The subject property is located on the southwest corner of Ecorse and Hannan Roads, Van Buren Township, Michigan.



Section 2: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed hereby to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption and publication.

Section 4. Adoption: This ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting, called and held on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2000

YEAS: Foster, King, Budd, Hart, Herman and Rochowiak.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Clark.

I hereby certify that Ordinance 6-2-92, Map No. 6-6-00 was published in the Belleville Enterprise, a newspaper circulating within the Charter Township of Van Buren.

Cindy C. King, CMC, Township Clerk

I hereby approve of the foregoing Ordinance.

Helen Foster, CMFA, Township Supervisor

Adopted:  
Published: June 15, 2000  
Effective:

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN

### REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

### JUNE 6, 2000

Supervisor Foster called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Foster, King, Budd, Hart, Herman and Rochowiak. Absent and excused: Clark. Others in attendance: Director of Development Kelley, Coordinator of Development Miller, Public Safety Director Perkins, Parks and Lake Director Cipko, Recreation and Facilities Director Ross, Deputy Public Safety Director Smolen, Executive Assistant Ireland, Secretary Payne and an audience of fourteen (14).

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** King moved, Budd seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None.

**MINUTES:** King moved, Budd seconded to approve the Work Study Session Minutes of May 15, 2000, as presented. Carried.

Budd moved, Rochowiak seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May 16, 2000, as presented. Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Supervisor Foster announced that Township Hall administrative offices will be closed on Monday, July 3, 2000, in addition to Tuesday, July 4, 2000. She also stated there is a 24-hour drop box in the Public Safety Department lobby to drop off payments while offices are closed.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** Hart moved, Herman seconded to approve the second reading for adoption of "revised" Ordinance 5-2-00, to amend Zoning Ordinance 6-2-92, as amended, regulating Sexually Oriented Businesses: [20.420 Section 4.49 Regulated Uses, 20.878 Section 18.08 Powers of the Township Board of Trustees Concerning Special Approvals]. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Budd, Hart, Herman, Rochowiak, Foster and King. Nays: None. Absent: Clark. Carried.

Herman moved, Hart seconded to approve the second reading for adoption of Ordinance 5-16-00, Article V. Property Maintenance Code: to repeal Section 18-106, to repeal Section 18-107, and to add Sections 18-108 through 18-150 inclusive. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Hart, Herman, Rochowiak, Foster, King and Budd. Nays: None. Absent: Clark. Carried.

\*(A synopsis of Ordinances 5-2-00 and 5-16-00 follow the minutes. A complete copy of the ordinances is available for review in the Clerk's Office during regular business hours Monday through Friday.)

**NEW BUSINESS:** King moved, Rochowiak seconded to adopt Resolution 2000-21 Tax Levy, as presented. Carried.

Budd moved, Hart seconded to allow Supervisor Foster to abstain from voting on "New Business" item #2 Resolution 2000-22 and Item #3 Resolution 2000-23. Carried.

King moved, Budd seconded to adopt Resolution 2000-22 reaffirming the responsibility of the Township Supervisor to serve as the Personnel Director for the Charter Township of Van Buren. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Budd, Hart, Herman, Rochowiak and King. Nays: None. Absent: Clark. Abstain: Foster. Carried.

Hart moved, Rochowiak seconded to adopt Resolution 2000-23 clarification of the Van Buren Township Salaried Employee Benefits Manual. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Budd, Hart, Herman, Rochowiak and King. Nays: None. Absent: Clark. Abstain: Foster. Carried.

Herman moved, King seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 6-6-00, to adopt an amendment to the Zoning Map, a part of Ordinance 6-2-92, as amended to rezone parcels V-125-83-045-99-0001-000, V-125-83-045-99-0002-000 and V-125-83-045-99-0003-000 from AG (agriculture and estate) to C (local business) district. Carried.

\*(A synopsis of Ordinance 6-6-00 follows the minutes. A complete copy of the ordinance is available for review in the Clerk's Office during regular business hours Monday through Friday.)

Herman moved, Budd seconded to approve the site plan and related Master Deed and by-law documents for the Hickory Woods Condominiums, located on the north side of Tyler Road, east of Morton Taylor. Carried.

**VOUCHER LIST:** King moved, Rochowiak seconded to approve the June 6, 2000 voucher list as presented. Carried.

**REPORTS:** Supervisor Foster ordered the April 2000 Public Safety Report received and filed.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** The "Celebration of the 20th Century" is on display at the Belleville Area Museum.

Director Ross announced that both sessions of the new "Teen Camp" are full. Spaces are still available for the "Learn to Row" class and the 4th of July fireworks display will be held on Saturday, July 1, 2000 at the Beck Road baseball field; a rain date is Sunday, July 2, 2000. For additional information on recreation programs and classes call 699-8921. Come spend your summer with us.

Van Buren Park hours of operation are 8:00 a.m. to dusk daily. Daily passes are \$2.00 and seasonal passes are \$7.00 for Van Buren residents and \$10.00 for City of Belleville residents. Passes for seniors age 55 and older are \$4.00.

The "Meals on Wheels" program is looking for volunteer drivers to deliver homebound meals. Contact the Senior Center at 699-8918 for details on this program.

Township Administrative offices will be closed on Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday, July 4th.

The Rotary Club pancake breakfast will be held on Saturday, June 17th at the Belleville High School cafeteria from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for kids. Rotary dollar discount coupons (for adult meals) are available at Garden Fantasy and Van Buren Township Clerk's Office.

The "4th Annual Cop with a Camp" program at Van Buren Park is scheduled for August 18th through August 20th. Applications are available from the City of Belleville and Van Buren Township Police Departments. This program is for City of Belleville and Van Buren Township residents only.

**AUDIENCE (Non-Agenda Items):** None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** King moved, Budd seconded to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy C. King, CMC  
Township Clerk

Helen Foster, CMFA  
Supervisor

Publish: June 15, 2000

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This project consists of the installation of a 12" ductile iron water main.

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Plans, Specifications and other Contract Documents may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk or at the office of the Engineer, JCK & Associates, Inc., 45650 Grand River Avenue, Novi, Michigan 48374, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on and after Tuesday, June 6, 2000 may be obtained from the Engineer upon payment of \$ 35.00 per set non-refundable. Documents may be mailed to the prospective bidders upon request accompanied by an additional payment of \$10.00 per set, non-refundable.

Sealed Proposal, Qualification and Experience Statement and Bid Bond shall be delivered to the office of the Township Clerk. If sent by mail, the sealed envelope containing the Proposal, Qualification & Experience Statement and Bid Bond must be enclosed within another envelope.

Each Proposal shall be accompanied by a Qualification & Experience Statement, and a certified check, cashier's check, or a satisfactory bidder's bond in the amount of at least 5% of the total bid, drawn payable to the Township of Sumpter as security that if the Proposal is accepted, the Bidder will execute the Contract and deliver acceptable proof of insurance, Performance and Labor and Materials Bonds within 14 calendar days after the award of the Contract.

Proposals which have been submitted shall not be withdrawn after the time set for opening of bids and shall remain firm for a period of 90 calendar days after the opening of bids.

The Township of Sumpter reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals and to waive any informality or irregularity in any Proposal, in the interest of the Township of Sumpter.

Township of Sumpter, Helen Teall, Clerk

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## Time for Michigan drivers to protest ridiculous gas prices

A couple of months ago I ran into Doctor Gene, a toxicologist by trade, who had his car plastered with gasoline price protest stickers. He greeted me with his business card that proclaimed his hatred for high gasoline prices. At the time, when gas was hovering around the \$1.40 mark I didn't think much of his protest.

But driving back from Florida last Saturday, I noticed the further north we drove, the higher the gasoline prices were. I started my trip in central Florida, where I gassed up for \$1.47 an unleaded gallon. In Georgia prices were similar, although at some locales the price dipped into the \$1.30's. Ditto Tennessee.

In Kentucky, however, the upward trend began. Gas prices here, for the most part, hovered in the low \$1.50's. A few hundred miles, as we pulled into a BP in Wopakaneta, Ohio, the price was now \$1.85. What took \$29 to fill in central Florida was now costing \$37.

But the biggest shock was reserved for Michigan, and I still haven't recovered. \$1.85 in Ohio was \$1.98 in Michigan in a matter of two miles. Even my friends next door at the BP, who pride themselves on being one of the lowest-priced stations in the area, had \$1.95 posted in big block letters. Further investigation indicated that most area service stations had increased prices over the magical \$2.00 figure by Monday.

What in the world is going on? I've asked that question of many, and no one seems to have a simple answer. Many people blame the Wolverine pipeline break near Jackson, that supposedly supplies gas to 30 percent of Michigan. Others blame OPEC. Still others claim it is a conspiracy to wrangle every dollar they can out of Michigan tourists during the prime summer season.

There are however, some basic truths. For instance Michigan service stations are required to inventory a spe-

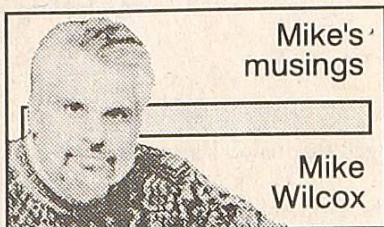
cial low-emission gasoline during the summer months, and that type of gasoline is in short supply at this time. Secondly the price per barrel of crude oil has jumped from \$12 to \$30 in the last year.

The latter we can do nothing about, but the low-emission requirement can be waived by Governor John Engler, if he so chooses. In fact press secretary John Truscott claims the waiver is under serious consideration as you read this. I bet the more of us that complain, the better chance we have of seeing the requirement lifted, and some say this could mean a 20 to 30 cent reduction immediately.

Pipeline break aside, which is only a temporary problem, I cannot understand why Michigan prices would be 25 to 30 percent more than Florida gas prices, when essentially for the past 5 years they have mirrored one another. Gas taxes have not been raised and the crude per barrel price is the same for Florida as Michigan. So how come the big difference?

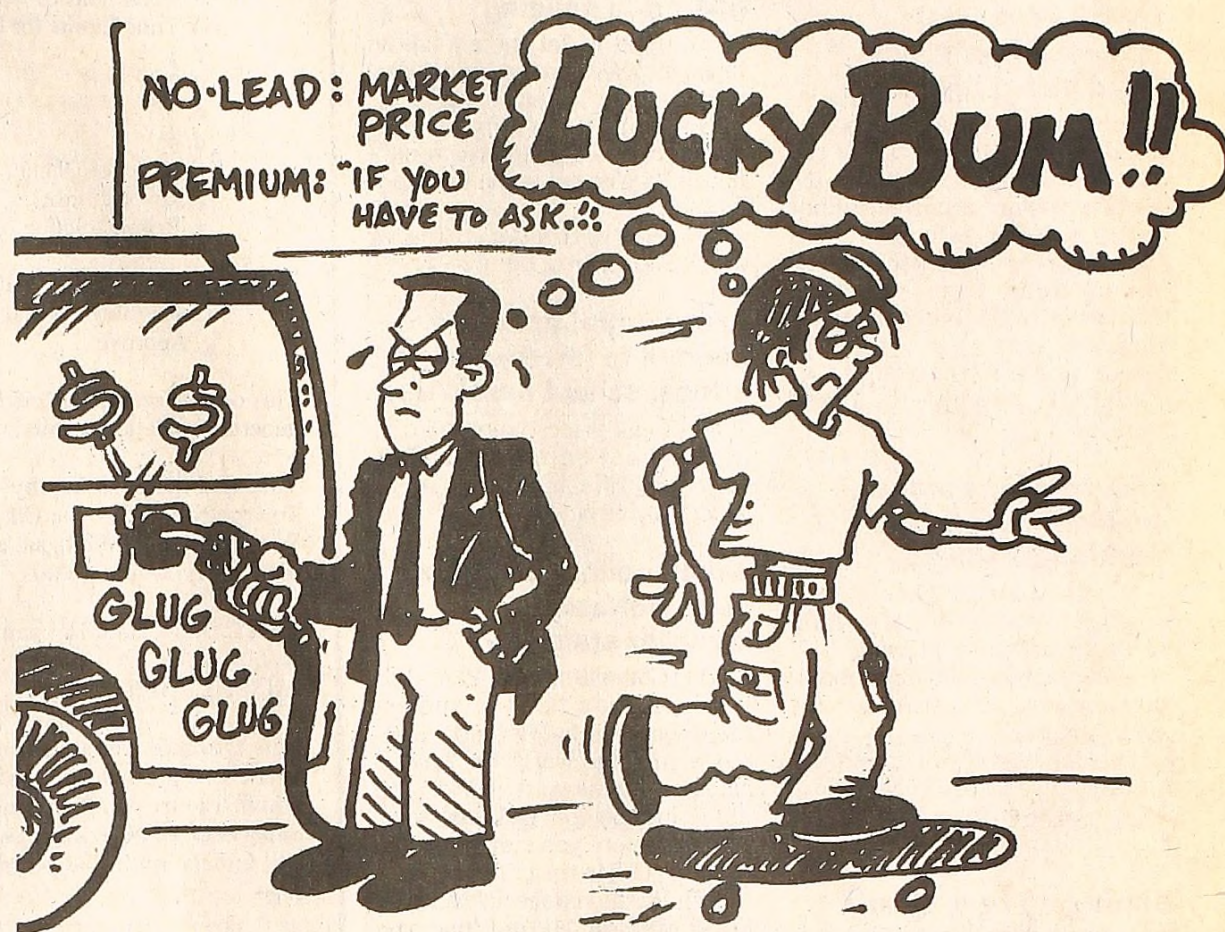
No one on the streets seems to have a good answer and AAA and the Michigan Public Service Commission continue to warn consumers that we should expect \$2.00 per gallon prices until this fall. I would like to know why. The guys at the top, the suppliers and refineries certainly know. They need to come clean and tell their customers why gas has doubled in the last year.

If we don't hear soon, I for one, am going to advocate that everyone join my new found friend Doctor Gene, and spend all our non-working hours protesting these ridiculous prices. Better causes there may be, but nothing puts a strain on the wallet more than the mortgage payment and gasoline.



Mike's musings

Mike Wilcox



## School boards can cure apathy

The combined budgets of the Wayne-Westland and Plymouth-Canton school boards are over \$200 million.

Yet on Monday, only 1,351 voters, 1.9 percent, cast ballots for school board members in Wayne-Westland and 2,906, 4 percent, in Plymouth-Canton.

"It's not good that the turnout is so low, but I don't know what we can do," said Superintendent Greg Baracy, who said that he has tried everything to increase parental involvement.

So he says.

Network TV executives were saying the same thing last year while cable TV and the Internet whittled away at network ratings.

Turned out, network executives weren't really trying. No matter what they said, they were sticking with the same old, same old. Sexy sitcoms. Sexy dramas.

But this year network executives got serious. They got creative.

Instead of jiggle, they gave us greed, and "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" pulled in so many viewers that soon it was on almost every night.

"Millionaire's" success inspired other network executives to get creative. If greed lured viewers, why not combine greed with voyeurism?

Why not? So rival network executives created "Survivors," and soon viewers switched channels from "Millionaire" to "Survivors."

If there's a lesson here, it's that gimmicks work. Consequently, I've created a list of tried and true gimmicks to replace the tired gimmicks (employee awards and self-



Ivan Helfman

praise) used to turn people off to school board meetings: animal tricks, a bake-off, a beauty contest, a baton twirl off, a carnival, a cat show, a circus, dancing girls, a dial-a-date game, a fashion show, fireworks synchronized with music, fire-eaters, a flea circus, a floor show, a freak show, a hog-calling contest, a horse show, a hula hoop contest, a limbo contest, a lingerie show, a lottery, a pie-eating contest, a psychic fair, a rave, snake handlers, a spitting contest, a swimsuit competition, swordswallowers, a wet T-shirt contest or a wine tasting.

While my gimmicks would attract more people to school board meetings, a problem remains. No matter how off-the-wall the gimmicks, it will be impossible to surpass the shock value of Westland City Council meetings, where a spaceship from Mars could land unnoticed during a typical argument.

Overmatched by the current Westland city council's antics, the local school boards will have to forego theatrics and lure viewers by another novel method: openly doing their jobs.

This means live cable TV.

The Plymouth-Canton school board meetings are not broadcast at all. This secrecy insures that the public is almost completely cut out. Live coverage would not only involve more district residents, it

would require the board to deal with substantive issues, such as purging the elementary schools of sight reading classes, mathematics theory lessons, and DARE.

Wayne-Westland, which delays meeting broadcasts a few days, will also increase involvement with live broadcasts, motivating viewers to race down to the boardroom on hot button issues.

However, increasing viewership isn't enough. Both school boards will have to engage citizens in dialogs, seriously entertaining the public's suggestions and acknowledging information submitted by the public. For example, both boards ignored limited public criticism of large investments in student computer networks. Millions spent on putting computers in every classroom, but now teachers are locked into computer teaching, an unproven technology that has even been rejected by Apple Computer, operator of the nation's oldest teaching classroom. Worse, members of the public has learned that the school boards won't listen.

If the boards won't listen, why vote?

But even assuming that the boards come out of the closet and go on live cable and that the boards begin to listen to the public, there's still the matter of district election officials herding voters to unfamiliar precincts to vote in June elections. To get the majority to vote in school elections, contests must be held on general election dates in November at regular precincts. Oddball dates and scattered locations are for scavenger hunts, not elections.

## Has a wake-up call been sounded?

For the second time this year, Romulus voters have told Mayor William Oakley that despite inflation - they don't want the 1970 City Charter changed much.

One of the "decisive no votes" came by a scant four votes ... but it has the same power as 100 votes.

Many outside the Oakley administration say the mayor should consider this second charter change rejection as a wake-up call - particularly if he plans to indeed seek re-election in 2001.

"While Oakley may feel he is a shoe-in because he sees no 'heavyweight' candidate ready to take on the challenge next year," one critic states, "continued snubbing of citizens could cause someone in business or industry to rise up to that challenge in 2001."

Another critic feels that for an



Post Scripts

Al Post

incumbent to start "so many political grass fires" prior to re-election bid is almost unheard of.

When questioned about the perceived "grass fires" issue, the citizen stated, "people cannot believe Oakley's recent stances on the city's cable department, Historical Society, neighborhood road and business issues and most of all the city's fire department issue."

Oakley has time to mend some of these fences long before the

2001 political year opens - and that political period may start even before this year's political season climaxes.

But many political observers said he should read the political history of when he challenged incumbent Mayor Beverly McAnally.

Oakley admitted after doing some door to door sampling back at that time, "I was told they would vote for me even if my name was Mickey Mouse!"

That obviously was because voters were irked by City Hall - and particularly the Mayor's Office.

Sorry Mayor, but this writer and many others in Romulus feel that campaign era may reoccur again next year whether they consider you Mickey Mouse or not!!!

## Is teacher cheating inevitable?

Nationwide there has never been more pressure on teachers to report good or improving grades for their students.

The results of standardized testing in many states, including Michigan, are a sword of Damocles hanging over the heads of school districts as they fight to keep "local" control of their districts.

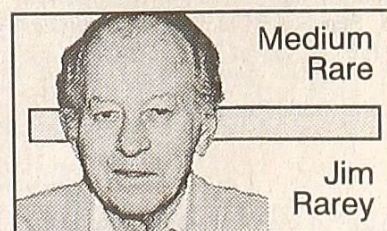
In Michigan, the state can take over school districts that fail to meet state criteria three years in a row. The Detroit School District is in the throes of a state takeover now.

Under criteria proposed in Lansing, 14 districts throughout the state would be classified as "failing" and be candidates for

takeover.

In a recent Detroit News article it was revealed that teachers and/or school administrators have been caught changing test grades or helping students with the tests in six states. One of the most embarrassing was a district in Ohio that had been cited by President Clinton for its improvement in test scores. In Texas, 18 school officials have been indicted by a grand jury for falsifying test results.

Michigan uses cash awards of up to \$1,000 to teachers in districts where classes meet or exceed state standards. Along with the threat of a state takeover, this constitutes the classic "carrot and stick" approach to improving test



Medium Rare

Jim Rarey

scores.

In Wayne County, this year's MEAP tests results were mixed but with a general trend of lower scores than last year. With a couple of notable exceptions, 7th grade reading scores went down in 29 of the 34 districts in Wayne County. Inkster scores went up an astounding 490 percent in 7th grade reading from 11 percent in 1999 to 65 percent this year meeting state standards.

Romulus schools lost ground in three of the four categories with less than 50 percent meeting state standards.

Since no cheating has been reported in Michigan, it may be that schools are "teaching to the test." Monty Neill, executive director of the National Center for Fair and Open Testing says, "In some ways, I would argue that is borderline cheating." He notes that it is encouraged by states and presidential candidates.

At any rate, without question, the use of standardized state testing (with the carrot and stick measures to coerce compliance) makes a mockery of the claim that curriculum content is controlled at the local level.



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## Forcing passenger into panhandling loony

Letter to the Editor:

What I, The Fab Four Lady, would like to discuss is the plight of Lettie Thomas, who was recently stranded on Wayne Road by the police.

When Lettie's protege, Willie Slater, was arrested, taken to jail, and the car was towed off with Lettie's purse in it, she was reported to have been told by the police to, "Have a nice day."

Now, The Fab Four Lady was n't there at the scene, to either confirm or deny what really happened, but, I will say this. I have suffered the same plight as Lettie more than once in my lifetime as have many others, as well. And, it is a horrible thing for anyone, especially a woman, to be left stand-

ing on a dark street, in a totally-strange neighborhood, all alone, with no money-not even knowing in which direction to turn. Total disorientation.

This situation made Lettie like a sheep in a den of wolves - a vulnerable target for any sort of predator who might have seen her. A mugger, a butcher, a sadist, a rapist, anyone. And, those who turned her into a target should be doing some very serious thinking about how much more severe the situation could have been.

You know, once, when I resided in Hollywood, there was a police officer who helped me by asking me to sit in the front seat of his car, while he called in a "Public Assistance" call, followed by a ride to a safer location. So, we all

know that the police could have helped Lettie, even if this isn't California. And, if the police are here to "protect and serve," then why was Lettie forced to be left unprotected and not served with public assistance in any way? No lift, no purse, no phone call. Where was the compassion and love that she so desperately needed?

Not only was she made into a target, she was humiliated, degraded, debased, and reduced into begging for change from a total stranger to make that one phone call to sanity, to her brother for a ride. To force someone - against their will - to become a target is bad enough, but, to also force them into panhandling is beyond comprehension.

When I listened to Lettie on the televised council meeting of June 5, 2000, and saw the tears rolling down her cheeks, I just wanted to reach out and give her a hug and take away her hurt. I was so glad to see that others felt the same way.

This is not an anti-police article, because I do realize that the police have a job to do. But, I do suggest that, in these situations where someone is left stranded, that, since the police were the ones who were responsible, that they should have resolved the situation by at least offering someone a lift or making a call, etc. I don't think the taxpayers would object too much to a pay phone call under these circumstances. I wouldn't.

And, Lettie, The Fab Four Lady still wishes to take away some of your hurt with a hug. And, I hope that Willie is okay, too.

The Fab Four Lady,  
Angela Frances Todd

## Glad for house that lights up Canton's dark roads

To the Editor:

So, now the careless Canton drivers have made it to the news radio. I heard that it is dangerous in Canton since the big storms, traffic lights are out without power. Watch out, the radio warned: Canton motorists are ignoring stop signs and cutting around other cars. But then, this ordinary procedure is always apparent. Especially on Ford Rd. where they are bumper to bumper and cutting in and out during the rush hours.

The traffic here has increased to an exorbitant amount. They go faster than the speed limits, they don't turn when the arrow points

round the corner, but zoom straight ahead, sometimes narrowly missing oncoming cars.

This pleasant suburb has been come a throbbing metropolis. I am a senior, here before all of you, and I resent your cavalier taking over of the roads, with no thought of others. Everyday I see and hear fire trucks on their way to an accident.

Also, there are not enough traffic lights. Blinkers are not enough. The only good thing is that Canton Center Road is now lit up lights from the multitude of houses built. It was dangerously dark for years.

Jeffrey Katz  
Canton

## Approve deepwell, says supporter

To the Editor:

I hesitated to write because first: after 10 years everybody is sick of hearing about the woes of the hazardous waste well controversy in Romulus. Second: I am fully aware that should you use my name, I may face retaliation by the group that is against the operation of the well. I have personally witnessed intimidation by members of this group. I have also been told by supporters of the well of harassment and vandalism against them in response to their public support of the well.

If our present city council thinks that they are ethically, legally and/or financially being responsible in the latest chapter of the deepwell controversy, they are ignoring the facts. I am not sure if their stance on the well slows their arrogance or their ignorance.

First of all the geological safety of the well has been documented by experts from Western Michigan University and University of Michigan, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. The biggest argument seems to be in the transportation of materials to the well. Of course, there is a possibility of an accident but having lived for over 30 years within a mile of three chemical companies that operate in Romulus without incident, I feel the possibility is remote. Also if the council has bothered to study the transportation aspect of the deepwell materials, they would see the EDS has carefully mapped out the safety possible access to the well in accordance with government guidelines. The city council seems to be demonstrating a lack of confidence in the agencies that were developed to protect citizens against unscrupulous and careless disposal of hazardous waste. RECAP has not, over the years of this controversy, produced one bit of information regarding the safety of the well that has stopped the licensing process.

Legally, the city battle against the well has been a losing cause from the start. The city attorney's advised the council at the outset

11 years ago that their arguments against the well were not defensible. The city attorney advised this present council that they should settle with EDS. Of course, we know the result of this advice, the council rejected settlement. The Court of Appeals ruled that the city had no legal stand in denying the operation of the well.

Finally if the city council can ignore the ethical and legal aspects of the case, how can they justify the financial danger they are putting the city and its citizens in?

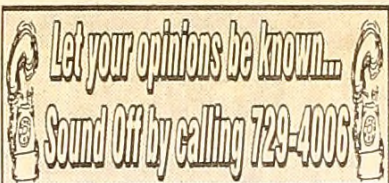
Never mind the loss of revenues for both Romulus and EDS, we are in a much more desperate situation now with the threat of an overwhelming lawsuit. The fact that the city insured company has said that they will not support a lawsuit if the city rejected a settlement offer by EDA (not that they could) has not swayed this council's determination to run the city into the ground financially in their support of an undefensible stand against the well. Why would they think that EDS could not win their lawsuit? One council member has reportedly indicated that because the lawsuit has been denied at two lower level courts it will not win at a higher court. Considering the magnitude of this case and the precedence, it is not surprising that it was denied at a lower level. The city has not, does not and will not have a leg to stand on in the lawsuit. EDS did not sneak into this city unannounced. They were offered a welcoming resolution. From the beginning, they have conducted themselves in an open and above board manner. The company has been more than patient in the more than 10 years that they have been trying to operate. They have lost millions of dollars in expected revenue. Unfortunately EDS deserves to win this case.

I voted for the candidates for council in the last election that I felt had the interest of the city first and foremost. I feel betrayed by the wholesale sell out of the city by the council. May I remind our council members that while attendance at the SRB meetings seem to show support for your

present position on the well, you must realize that the people in attendance were only a very small percentage of the communities represented. Also many in attendance were from other communities (mainly Taylor). Those people may have some environmental concerns but they have no lawsuit. They are not your voters. I understand that there was mention of "recall" concerning anyone on the council who voted for settlement with EDS. I personally think this may be a good idea for the ones on the council who voted against settlements. Your actions are irresponsible and indefensible ethically, legally and financially. Perhaps if you are afraid of retaliation of RECAP, you should take the honorable way out.

Hand in your resignation and allow others to save our city financially.

(Please withhold my name)



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## Gore's support of CHina trade bill disappoints UAW President Yokich

To the editor:

President Clinton and Vice President Gore hail the US-China agreement on WTO accession "a hundred percent win" for America that will increase U.S. exports to China and create jobs for American workers. Nice words, but they made the very same claims for NAFTA. They were wrong then, and they are wrong now.

On this issue of critical importance to working people - one that could cost hundreds of thousands of American workers their jobs - President Clinton and Vice President Gore once again have sided with multinational corporations against workers here and abroad.

Over the past weeks, proponents of giving China PNTR have portrayed the same multinational corporations who today are exploiting the Chinese government's well-documented brutal repression of basic human and worker's rights to fatten profits as the champions for a more free and open Chinese society. Mean-

while, the labor movement's insistence that the Chinese government demonstrate progress on human and worker's rights before the U.S. Congress permanently gives up its power of annual review is dismissed as selfish, myopic, and worse.

We are deeply disappointed that Vice President Gore has failed to speak out against these cynical attacks on the labor movement and our partners in this fight. Instead, he has tried to have it both ways on China PNTR. One moment, presidential candidate Gore is telling the labor movement that he believes human rights, workers' rights, and environmental protections should be included in core trade agreements; the next, Vice President Gore is holding hands with the profiteers of the world and singing the praises of the U.S. -China WTO accession agreement while lobbying for PNTR for China. And, obviously, we cannot turn Republican candidate George W. Bush; his positions on issues of concern to working families are far worse.

Sincerely,  
Steven Yokich  
UAW President

## A letter of thanks from Veteran's Outreach Center

To the Editor:

Even though we have been open and serving the needs of Veterans at our new location since last December, we thought with the better weather [Ha Ha] this past Memorial Day weekend would be an appropriate time to host our "Grand Opening Celebration" to dedicate our Veterans Outreach Center to those that have served and in memory of those that paid the ultimate price in the name of "Freedom!"

Considering the weather was a "bit soggy", we do appreciate everyone that did attend to help make the day a great success. Our special "Friends", Eileen DeHart, State Rep: 18th District, Donna McEachern - Director of Wayne Chamber of Commerce & Councilwoman City of Wayne, Roger & Pic Webster from the American Legion State Command, Jeff and Linda Long - United Parcel Community Relations Committee, Rick Hamrick and Al Nagy - Wm. D. Ford Vocational Career Center - Westland, Chris

Belmont and VFW Bova Post - Westland [for supplying the tables and chairs], Winnie Busby - State Service Rep: Vietnam Veterans of America and Ivan Helfman - Westland Eagle, all turned out to show their support, respect and exemplify that the word "Veteran" still has a unique powerful meaning.

Finally, but certainly not lastly I would like to express my sincere thanks to my wife Judy and my son Vinny who has helped me nurture and develop this "Dream", to our Board Members, Mike Branigan - Vice President, John Heraghty - Treasurer, Jackie Benyo - Secretary and our Trustees: Rev: Michael Pollitt, Chaplain Detroit Veterans Hospital, Dr. Elaine Tripi, Rehabilitation Psychologist - Ability Management, Paul Esser, Readjustment Counselor Dept. of Veterans Affairs - Bill Warrix and to our "volunteers", all have always answered the "call of duty" by putting the needs of our veterans first.

Respectfully,  
Vince Berna  
President, VHI

Gracin disputes Moore's stories about recall group

Once again Mrs. Moore has

issued an untrue statement. Fortunately for myself, and others involved in this recall, people have far better memories than she gives them credit for.

On Sunday, April 15th Mrs. Moore ran her first letter in the Eyewitness concerning We The People, which she then read verbatim at the next council meeting, proclaiming that since the newspapers hadn't published it, she would read it. We had all read it the day before.

On Sunday May 7th, Mrs. Moore ran a letter to our readers entitled "Want to hear some stories about 'We the People?'" Everything in that story was untruthful and distorted, not based on fact, but designed to tarnish the reputation of myself, and others involved. Not able to publish any real facts to do such, resorting to this level isn't surprising, but her lack of memory is. I guess the fact that the readers have the paper and can verify,

and know whom is speaking truth means little in her zest to save Mr. Cox from recall. Win at all costs.

As to our recall of Mrs. Scott, and the recall of the men, she made statement to the fact that the Wayne County Prosecutor found them innocent. In reality he found "insufficient evidence."

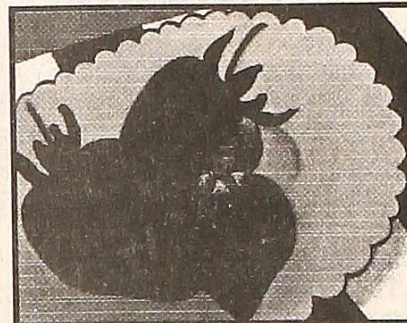
Innocent and not guilty proclamations are made in a court of law. It didn't reach that point, although the Prosecutor did issue statement that the people had recourse of civil charges if they so desired.

We desire. We now understand there is so much more than the firing of Mrs. Gibbons and the way it was handled.

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Brenda Gracin



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# Seniors on the go

## MICHIGAN COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS

### Brower slated to retire

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

Long time Romulus Schools Director of Maintenance and Operations Willard (Bill) Brower is planning to retire from his post on June 30.

Brower came to Romulus Schools 30 years ago after serving five years with the Ford Motor Corp.

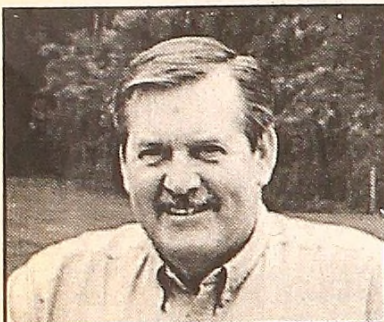
He assumed his current position back in May of 1983 and quickly drew plaudits from the public for his handling of setting up for special events such as concerts and graduations.

But his job responsibilities were far more expansive including maintenance of buildings and grounds, ordering of custodial and office supplies, supervision of the stock room and maintenance of school district vehicles.

He organized the current stock room and implemented a high tech control system back in the 1990's that enabled a centrally located computer to control the temperature in each school building throughout the district.

The never ending responsibilities passed on to Brower included maintenance of school ball fields, playground equipment, heating and cooling systems.

He recently headed the crit-



Bill Brower

### Retired ump visits vets

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

Retired Major League Baseball umpire Larry Barnett once again is planning to visit local disabled veterans at local Veterans Administration facilities tomorrow.

Barnett has been visiting the sick and disabled vets since 1977.

"I feel warm inside when I leave a hospital," Barnett exclaimed. "If I've made three veterans happy, I feel I've accomplished something important."

Barnett reveals today's disabled vets get few visitors, so he tries to entertain them with light and humorous baseball stories.

His annual trips began years ago when he was inspired by a blinded veteran patient he had stopped by to visit for "a few moments."

As Barnett prepared to leave, he said, the wounded veteran began to cry and pleaded with him to remain a little longer.



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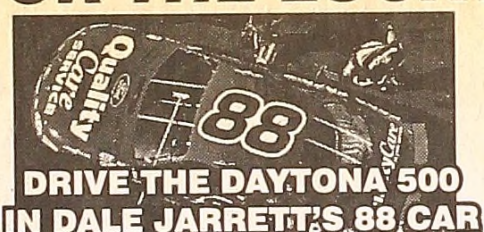
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## Artists of the year

Belleville's Tyler Elementary art teacher Brie Stosick poses with her gifted students. Last winter, Stosick launched Tyler Elementary's weekly newspaper feature, *Artist of the Week*, which featured one talented artist each week in the *Belleville Enterprise*. Stosick said the feature was so popular, and so positive for the young artists, she plans to continue the feature next school year.

## Local families open doors to foreign students

Local families have the opportunity to host students from France this summer. Fourteen teenage boys and girls from France are eager to spend four weeks this summer with Michigan families. The students, ages 16 to 18, want to be home-schooled in English, by an American family. They want to live the ordinary life of their host families, speak English, and gain a better understanding of American life.

The students are from all parts of France and are sponsored by Nacel Open Door, a non-profit organization, approved by the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel.

Local home school coordinator Lynne Larmee says, "We are proud of our pro-

gram's efforts to bring the world closer together, and we know families and students from your area will benefit from the opportunities our home-school program offers."

Home-school families and teachers are the heart of the home-school program. They welcome a student as a new member of the family and share their home, lifestyle and activities, while teaching English for 15 hours during the student's stay.

"This close relationship during the stay fosters bonds that many times last for years to come," Larmee says. "We believe that when our young people make friends from other countries, the doors between cultures are truly opened."

The students are matched

with families according to interests and family priorities. Training and curriculum is provided.

Nacel Open Door provides local support through local representatives and a teacher/chaperone that travels with

the students. Students bring their own spending money and have insurance coverage. Groups of home-school students are coming in both July and August. Please contact Lynne Larmee, home-school coordinator at (734) 432-1969 for more information.

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### Ordinance #5-16-00

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN WAYNE COUNTY

Second reading for adoption.

Amendment 5-16-00 to the Code of Ordinances, Charter Township of Van Buren, Michigan, Article V; Property Maintenance Code; to repeal Section 18-106; to repeal Section 18-107; to add Section 18-108 through Section 18-150 inclusive.

Section 18.106	Adoption	Repeal
Section 18.107	Additions, Insertions, and Changes	Repeal
Section 18.108		Add
Section 18.109		Add
Section 18.110		Add
Section 18.111		Add
Sections 18.112-18.115		Reserved
18.116.1	Title	Add
18.116.2	Scope	Add
18.116.3	Intent	Add
18.116.4	Severability	Add
SECTION 18.117	APPLICABILITY	Add
18.117.1	General	Add
18.117.2	Maintenance	Add
18.117.3	Application of Other Codes	Add
18.117.4	Existing Remedies	Add
18.117.5	Workmanship	Add
18.117.6	Historic Buildings	Add
18.117.7	Referenced Codes and Standards	Add
18.117.8	Requirements Not Covered by Code	Add
SECTION 18.118	DEPARTMENT	Add
18.118.1	General	Add
18.118.2	Restriction of Employees	Add
18.118.3	Liability	Add
18.118.4	Fees	Add
SECTION 18.119	DUTIES	Add
18.119.1	General	Add
18.119.2	Rule-Making Authority	Add
18.119.3	Inspections	Add
18.119.4	Right of Entry	Add
18.119.5	Identification	Add
18.119.6	Notices and Orders	Add
18.119.7	Department Records	Add
18.119.8	Coordination of Inspections	Add
SECTION 18.120	APPROVAL	Add
18.120.1	Modifications	Add
18.120.2	Alt. Materials, Methods, and Equip.	Add
18.120.3	Required Testing	Add
18.120.3.1	Test Methods	Add
18.120.3.2	Testing Agency	Add
18.120.3.3	Test Reports	Add
18.120.4	Material and Equipment Reuse	Add
SECTION 18.121	VIOLATIONS	Add
18.121.1	Unlawful Acts	Add
18.121.2	Notice of Violation	Add
18.121.3	Prosecution of Violation	Add
18.121.4	Violation Penalties	Add
18.121.5	Abatement of Violation	Add
SECTION 18.122	NOTICES AND ORDERS	Add
18.122.1	Notice	Add
18.122.2	Form	Add
18.122.3	Method of Service	Add
18.122.4	Penalties	Add
18.122.5	Transfer of Ownership	Add
SECTION 18.123	UNSAFE STRUCTURES AND EQUIPMENT	Add
18.123.1	General	Add
18.123.1.1	Unsafe Structures	Add
18.123.1.2	Unsafe Equipment	Add
18.123.1.3	Structure Unfit for Human Occup.	Add
18.123.1.4	Unlawful Structure	Add
18.123.2	Closing of Vacant Structures	Add
18.123.3	Notice	Add
18.123.4	Placarding	Add
18.123.5	Prohibited Occupancy	Add
18.123.6	Removal of Placard	Add
SECTION 18.124	EMERGENCY MEASURES	Add
18.124.1	Imminent Danger	Add
18.124.2	Temporary Safeguards	Add
18.124.3	Closing Streets	Add
18.124.4	Emergency Repairs	Add
18.124.5	Costs of Emergency Repairs	Add
18.124.6	Hearing	Add
SECTION 18.125	DEMOLITION	Add
18.125.1	General	Add
18.125.2	Notices and Orders	Add
18.125.3	Failure to Comply	Add
18.125.4	Savage Materials	Add
SECTION 18.126	MEANS OF APPEAL	Add
18.126.1	Application for Appeal	Add
18.126.2	Board of Appeals	Add
18.126.3	Postponed Hearing	Add
18.126.4	Board Decision	Add
18.126.4.1	Records and Copies	Add
18.126.4.2	Administration	Add
18.126.5	Court Review	Add
18.126.6	Stays of Enforcement	Add

SECTION 18.127	GENERAL	Add
18.127.1	Scope	Add
18.127.2	Interchangeability	Add
18.127.3	Terms Defined in Other Codes	Add
18.127.4	Terms Not Defined	Add
18.127.5	Parts	Add
SECTION 18.128	GENERAL DEFINITIONS	Add
SECTION 18.129	GENERAL REQUIREMENTS	Add
18.129.1	Scope	Add
18.129.2	Responsibility	Add
18.129.3	Vacant Structures and Land	Add
SECTION 18.130	EXTERIOR PROPERTY AREAS	Add
18.130.1	Sanitation	Add
18.130.2	Grading and Drainage	Add
18.130.3	Sidewalks and Driveways	Add
18.130.4	Weeds	Add
18.130.5	Rodent Harborage	Add
18.130.6	Exhaust Vents	Add
18.130.7	Accessory Structures	Add
18.130.7.1	Gates	Add
18.130.7.2	Swimming Pools	Add
18.130.8	Motor Vehicles	Add
18.130.9	Defacement of Property	Add
SECTION 18.131	EXTERIOR STRUCTURE	Add
18.131.1	General	Add
18.131.2	Protective Treatment	Add
18.131.3	Premises Identification	Add
18.131.4	Structural Members	Add
18.131.5	Foundation Walls	Add
18.131.6	Exterior Walls	Add
18.131.7	Roof and Drainage	Add
18.131.8	Decorative Features	Add
18.131.9	Overhang Extensions	Add
18.131.10	Stairways, Deck, Porches and Balcs.	Add
18.131.11	Chimneys and Towers	Add
18.131.12	Handrails and Guards	Add
18.131.13	Window, Skylight and Door Frames	Add
18.131.13.1	Glazing	Add
18.131.13.2	Openable Windows	Add
18.131.14	Insect Screens	Add
18.131.15	Doors	Add
18.131.16	Basement Hatchways	Add
18.131.17	Guards for Basement Windows	Add
SECTION 18.132	INTERIOR STRUCTURE	Add
18.132.1	General	Add
18.132.2	Structural Members	Add
18.132.3	Interior Surfaces	Add
18.132.4	Stairs and Walking Surfaces	Add
18.132.5	Handrails and Guards	Add
18.132.6	Interior Doors	Add
SECTION 18.133	RUBBISH AND GARBAGE	Add
18.133.1	Accumulation of Rubbish or Garbage	Add
18.133.2	Disposal of Rubbish	Add
18.133.2.1	Rubbish Storage Facilities	Add
18.133.3	Disposal of Garbage	Add
18.133.3.1	Garbage Facilities	Add
18.133.3.2	Containers	Add
SECTION 18.134	EXTERMINATION	Add
18.134.1	Infestation	Add
18.134.2	Owner	Add
18.134.3	Single Occupant	Add
18.134.4	Multiple Occupancy	Add
18.134.5	Occupant	Add
SECTION 18.135	GENERAL	Add
18.135.1	Scope	Add
18.135.2	Responsibility	Add
18.135.3	Alternative Devices	Add
SECTION 18.136	LIGHT	Add
18.136.1	Habitable Spaces	Add
18.136.2	Common Halls and Stairways	Add
18.136.3	Other Spaces	Add
SECTION 18.137	VENTILATION	Add
18.137.1	Habitable Spaces	Add
18.137.2	Bathrooms and Toilet Rooms	Add
18.137.3	Cooking Facilities	Add
18.137.4	Process Ventilation	Add
18.137.5	Clothes Dryer Exhaust	Add
SECTION 18.138	OCCUPANCY LIMITATIONS	Add
18.138.1	Privacy	Add
18.138.2	Minimum Room Widths	Add
18.138.3	Minimum Ceiling Heights	Add
18.138.4	Bedroom Requirements	Add
18.138.4.1	Area for Sleeping Purposes	Add
18.138.4.2	Access from Bedrooms	Add
18.138.4.3	Water Closet Accessibility	Add
18.138.4.4	Prohibited Occupancy	Add
18.138.4.5	Other Requirements	Add
18.138.5	Overcrowding	Add
18.138.5.1	Sleeping Area	Add
18.138.5.2	Combined Spaces	Add
18.138.6	Efficiency Unit	Add
18.138.7	Food Preparation	Add

SECTION 18.139	GENERAL PLUMBING	Add
18.139.1	Scope	Add
18.139.2	Responsibility	Add
SECTION 18.140	REQUIRED FACILITIES	Add
18.140.01	Dwelling Units	Add
18.140.02	Rooming Houses	Add
18.140.03	Hotels	Add
18.140.04	Employees' Facilities	Add
18.140.04.1	Drinking Facilities	Add

SECTION 18.140.1	TOILET ROOMS	Add
18.140.11	Privacy	Add
18.140.12	Location	Add
18.140.13	Location of Employee Toilet	Add
SECTION 18.140.2	PLUMBING SYSTEMS AND FIXTURES	Add
18.140.21	General	Add
18.140.22	Fixture Clearances	Add
18.140.23	Plumbing System Hazards	Add
SECTION 18.140.3	WATER SYSTEM	Add
18.140.31	General	Add
18.140.32	Contamination	Add
18.140.33	Supply	Add
18.140.34	Water Heating Facilities	Add
SECTION 18.140.4	SANITARY DRAINAGE SYSTEM	Add
18.140.41	General	Add
18.140.42	Maintenance	Add
SECTION 18.141	STORM DRAINAGE	Add
18.141.1	General	Add
SECTION 18.142	GENERAL: MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL	Add
18.142.1	Scope	Add
18.142.2	Responsibility	Add
SECTION 18.143	HEATING FACILITIES	Add
18.143.1	Facilities Required	Add
18.143.2	Residential Occupancies	Add
18.143.3	Heat Supply	Add
18.143.4	Occupiable Work Spaces	Add
18.143.5	Room Temperature Measurement	Add
SECTION 18.144	MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT	Add
18.144.1	Mechanical Appliances	Add
18.144.2	Removal of Combustion Products	Add
18.144.3	Clearances	Add
18.144.4	Safety Controls	Add
18.144.5	Combustion Air	Add
18.144.6	Energy Conservation Devices	Add
SECTION 18.145	ELECTRICAL FACILITIES	Add
18.145.1	Facilities Required	Add
18.145.2	Service	Add
18.145.3	Electrical System Hazards	Add
SECTION 18.146	ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT	Add
18.146.1	Installation	Add
18.146.2	Receptacles	Add
18.146.3	Lighting Fixtures	Add
SECTION 18.147	ELEVATORS, ESCALATORS AND DUMBWAITERS	Add
18.147.1	General	Add
18.147.2	Elevators	Add
SECTION 18.148	DUCT SYSTEM	Add
18.148.1	General	Add
SECTION 18.149	GENERAL: FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS	Add
18.149.1	Scope	Add
18.149.2	Responsibility	Add
SECTION 18.150	MEANS OF EGRESS	Add
18.150.01	General	Add
18.150.02	Aisle	Add
18.150.03	Locked Doors	Add
18.150.04	Emergency Escape Openings	Add
SECTION 18.150.1	FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING	Add
18.150.11	Fire-Resistance-Rated Assemblies	Add
18.150.12	Opening Protectives	Add
SECTION 18.150.2	FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM	Add
18.150.21	Smoke Detectors	Add
18.150.22	Installation	Add
18.150.23	Power Source	Add

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, called and held on the 6th day of June, 2000.

YEAS: Rochowiak, Hart, Budd, King, Herman, Foster  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: Clark

This Ordinance shall be immediately recorded by the Township Clerk in the Township Ordinance Book as soon as it is adopted, which record shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Supervisor and Clerk and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township within ten (10) days after its passage.

I hereby approve the foregoing Ordinance.

Cindy C. King, Township Clerk  
Helen Foster, Supervisor

Adopt: 6-6-00  
Publish: 5-25-00  
6-15-00  
Effective: 06-15-00



# News from area churches

M I C H I G A N C O M M U N I T Y N E W S P A P E R S

## Moretz given S.A. promotion, will head Cental Territory

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

Commissioners Lawrence and Nancy Moretz will soon head the central territory (including Michigan) for the international Salvation Army. Currently the couple are serving as commissioners in western South America -- namely the region including Chile, Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador.

They are succeeding Commissioners Harold D. and Betty M. Hinson, who will be

retiring from active service on Sept. 30.

Both speak fluent Spanish and are seeking to expand the cross cultural ministry now given a high priority in the Salvation Army.

They also are skillful programmers -- who encourage Salvationists (S.A. members) to celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ with extreme exuberance and joy.

Moretz has studied at the University of Pittsburgh, Hunter College and Union Theological Seminary in New York.

He has also taken advanced studies at Fuller Theological Seminary.

His wife and partner has a keen interest in the Army's ministry of music. She is an avid reader, creative writer and communicator.

Both come from strong Salvation Army families. They have three grown children, Lawrence, Thomas and Christine as well as four grandchildren.

## Baptist Bible School to begin on June 26

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

"Outback games" are now being set up for the planned Bible School the week of June 26-30 at the **First Baptist Church of Wayne**.

The daily programs will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at the church located at 36125 Glenwood in Wayne.

Outback games include interactive learning experiences for children from Kindergarten through the Sixth Grade.

Church leaders say "it's a fun way for kids to learn about the God, who created them and loves them, as well as the relationships they develop by opening their hearts to Jesus."

For more information call 734-721-7410.

The **Romulus Ministerial Association** has begun its discussions on the annual New Year's Eve Lock-In festivities that are offered at Romulus High School.

The drug and alcohol free Christian style entertainment program includes various styles of music, dancing and athletics.

The New Year's Eve program -- that was not held last year on Y2-K night -- is slated to resume this holiday season.

Rev. Arthur Willis, pastor of the Pentecostal Missionary Baptist Church of Romulus, is the president of the association.

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

The Charter Township of Van Buren Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on **Wednesday, July 12, 2000 at 7:30 p.m.**, in the Board of Trustees Room, 46425 Tyler Road, Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, Michigan, 48111.

This Public Hearing relates to a proposed amendment to the Township Zoning Ordinance, 6-2-92, as amended to revise regulations pertaining to day care centers.

Copies of the proposed amendment are available at the Department of Developmental Services.

Written comments will be accepted at the Department of Development Services until 5:00 p.m. on the hearing date.

In th spirit of compliance with the American Disabilities Act, individuals with a disability should feel free to contact the Department of Developmental Services, at least seventy two (72) hours in advance of the meeting, if requesting accommodations.

Publish: June 15, 2000  
July 6, 2000

### ADVERTISEMENT TO BID

1. Barton Malow Company, requests bids on behalf of Romulus Community Schools for the construction of the New Elementary School for Bid Package No. 2 work. **Bid proposals will be received by Romulus Community Schools, 36540 Grant Road, Romulus, MI 48174, delivery or mail, to the attention of Mr. Joel Carr by 2:00 p.m. local time on June 27, 2000.**

2. Proposals shall be prepared in accordance with the Project Manual dated June 5, 2000 by the Barton Malow Company and contract and construction documents prepared by the Architect dated May 22, 2000 for:

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### CITY OF INKSTER SALE OF EXCESS EQUIPMENT

The City of Inkster will receive sealed bids at the Office of the City Clerk, 2121 Inkster Road, Inkster, Michigan 48141 until 11:00 a.m. local time, Tuesday, June 27, 2000. At that time and place bids will be opened and read for the sale of the following equipment:

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### CITY OF INKSTER ABSTRACT REGULAR AND SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

THE City Council met at 7:40 p.m., on Monday, May 15, 2000 and 7:37 p.m., on Monday, May 22, 2000 in the Council Chambers. Present on 5/15/00: Councilpersons Harris-Foster, E. Hendricks, Bostedor, Coleman-Richardson, M. Hendricks, James and Mayor Hampton. Present on 5/22/00: Councilpersons Harris-Foster, Bostedor, Coleman-Richardson, M. Hendricks, James, and Mayor Hampton. ABSENT: Councilman E. Hendricks.

**MAY 15th:** CONSENT calendar items approved: Minutes from 4/25, 5/1, 5/3, 5/4, 5/9, 5/10/200. APPROVED the following payments: \$77,541.59 for Pension Payroll; \$11,259.50 to Milton Spokojny; \$49,276.37 to Wade Trim; \$2,692.46 to Fire Department Mutual Aid Associations; \$2,086.62 to Jack Doheny. MADE the following appointments: Philip Hendricks and Charles Hooper to the Board of Review; Mable Foster to the Tax Increment Finance Authority; Keith Richardson to the Parks & Recreation Commission; Doris Horne to the Aging Commission; Terrel LeCesne to the Planning Commission. APPROVED letter of support to the NOFA Drug Elimination Grant; solicitation of bids to purchase administrative car; solicitation of proposals for city-wide infrastructure project; establishment and maintenance of formula that distributes CDBG funds to Entitlement program; request from Inkster Summerfest Committee to close Northland between Beech and Carlyle from 7/19-7/22/00. **DENIED** Offer to Purchase city-owned property from Katrina Carter and Jimmy Q. Green. APPROVED Offers to Purchase city-owned property (vacant lots): \$840.00 from Thomas B. & Ellen L. Yates; \$1,200.00 from Viette Daniels; \$1,120.00 from Chris N. King. TABLED Offer to Purchase from Andre Hardy. APPROVED operation levy of 19.3932 mills and 2.9090 mills for rubbish pickup for fiscal year 2000-2001; 2000-2001 City of Inkster Budget; increase of water and sewer rates effective 7/1/00; Letter of Understanding (Inkster Fire Fighters Association). AUTHORIZED May 14-20, 2000 as Police Week.

**MAY 22nd:** Discussion and review of the proposed Master Plan with the Planning Commission.

MEETINGS adjourned at 9:47 p.m., and 8:29 p.m. (Full text available upon request).

Kimberly Turner  
Inkster City Clerk

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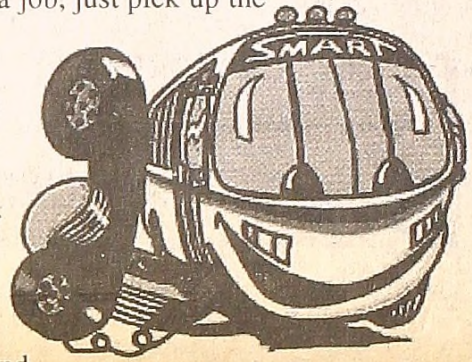
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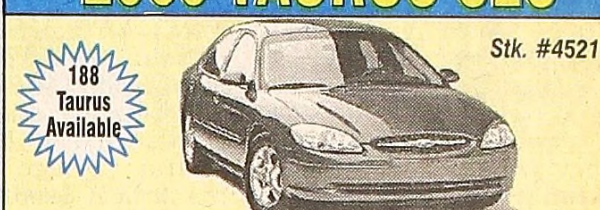
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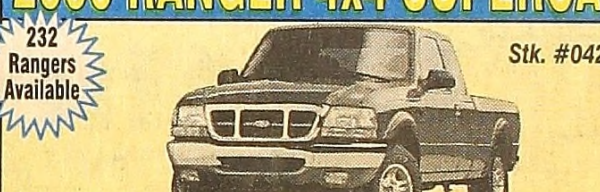
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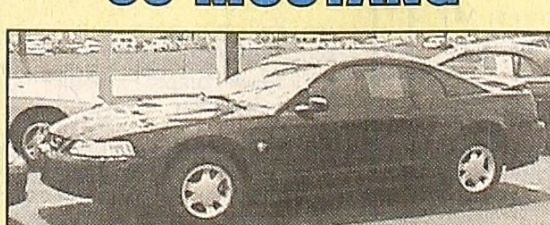
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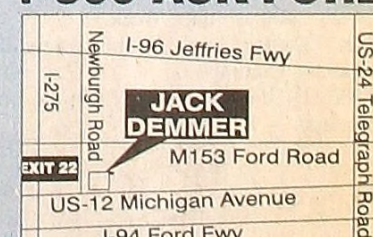
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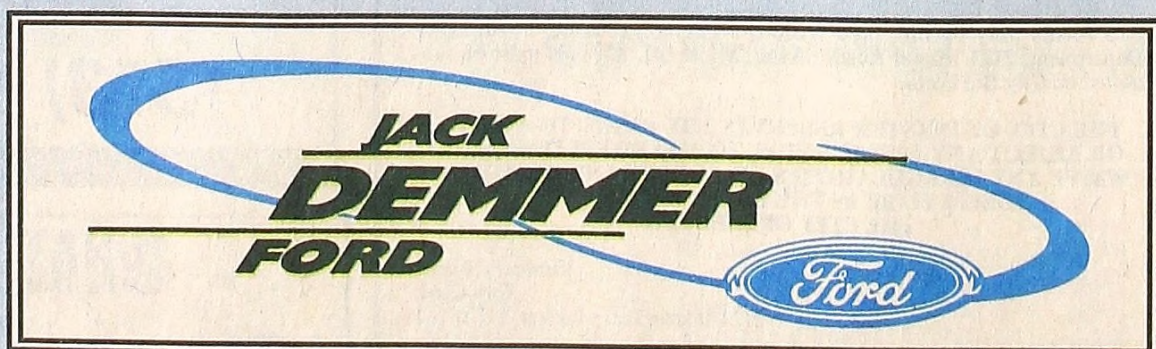
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# SPORTS

June 15, 2000

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## Glenn picks 2 new coaches

### Lloyd to replace Schuette

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

The destiny of Westland John Glenn High School's basketball program is in the hands of a coach who has devoted much of his 33-years to the sport.

Joel Lloyd was named this week by Glenn Athletic Director Jerry Szukaitis as the next men's varsity basketball coach at Glenn. Lloyd replaces veteran coach Mike Schuette, who resigned after the 1999-2000 season to devote more time to his family.

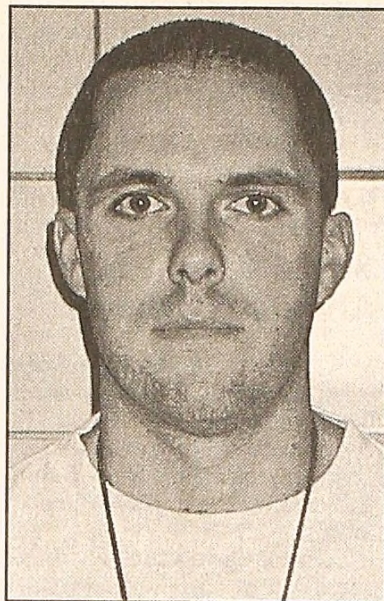
"I'm very excited about the

opportunity - and the challenge - that the administration has provided me," said Lloyd, during a telephone interview on Monday. "I feel that I am ready. I've been tutored by some of the best high school coaches in the state, coaches such as Chuck Henry, Wayne Woodard and Schuette."

Szukaitis also expressed a lot of confidence in Lloyd in continuing the Glenn tradition in the sport.

"He (Lloyd) is dedicated to basketball and has the coaching background and the cre-

See **LLOYD**, page B-2



Joel Lloyd



John Albrecht

### Albrecht has tough task

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

He applied twice, but failed to get the position.

But, in his third attempt, John Albrecht finally made it.

Albrecht was named by John Glenn Athletic Director Jerry Szukaitis as the next women's basketball coach at Glenn.

Albrecht will replace Joel Lloyd, who was selected as the men's varsity basketball coach.

In a conference noted for its excellence in women's basketball, Albrecht will have a tough task. The conference, Western Lakes, has been domi-

nated by state title contenders Plymouth-Salem and Plymouth-Canton, along with Livonia Stevenson, over the past decade.

"The league is an excellent one," Albrecht said. "And our task won't be an easy one, but I would not have applied if I didn't think we could get the job done."

Ironically, Albrecht has his wife, Esther, to thank for getting the job.

"I had applied on two separate occasions but was apparently turned down because I didn't have my teaching certifi-

See **ALBRECHT**, page B-2

## Last call for junior netters

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Last call for junior tennis players.

If you're between the ages of 4 to 15 years old and want to hone your tennis skills, the Canton Parks and Recreation Services wants to hear from you.

Recreation officials announced this week that they offering tennis lessons to players in the Pee Wee, Beginner, and Intermediate divisions, beginning the week of June 22.

The morning sessions, for Juniors, will begin on June 22 and go until July 13 (there will be no lesson on July 4); Junior Session II is the weeks of July 18 through August 3; the evening sessions for beginners are June 27 until Aug. 3, and the Intermediate players will start the week of June 29 and last until Aug. 3.

Lessons will be conducted on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. until 10 a.m. (Beginner Junior Level); 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. (Intermediate Junior Level); and 11 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. (Pee Wee Junior Level).

On Tuesdays, the Beginner Junior Level players will have the courts from 6 to 7 p.m.; while the Intermediate Junior Level players will train from 6 to 7 p.m. on Thursdays.

All lessons will be conducted at Freedom Park.

There is a \$30 registration fee for Pee Wee (4-6 year olds). The non-resident fee is \$35. For the Beginner and Intermediate (ages 7 to 15), the registration fees are \$36 for residents and \$42 for non-residents.

Registration will be accepted at the Canton Parks and Recreation Department at 46000 Summit Parkway.

Recreation officials also note that Kristen Harrison and her staff will conduct the program for the Pee Wee, Beginner and Intermediate level participants.

## Westwood to offer swim class

The Westwood Community School District will be sponsoring a four-week summer recreational swim program beginning the week of June 16 - Monday, Wednesday and Thursday - through June 21. The program is scheduled to start at noon.

Enrollment forms may be picked up at Robichaud High School and must be turned in with the registration fee by June 16.

For further information, please contact Francis L. McCauley, Robichaud High athletic director at (313) 565-5330.



## They're No. 1 in Mega-Blue soccer

Boasting an unprecedented 17-4-1 for the Year 2000 soccer season, Wayne Memorial's girls' team captured their first-ever Mega Conference, Blue Division championship in the sport. Coach Larry Brenner's team also reached the Class A district championship game for the first time, but lost a heartbreaking thriller, 1-0, in the closing minutes to Garden City. Pictured above are members of the history-making Wayne Memorial team, along with coaching staff. Coach Brenner is in the third row, at far left.

## Wayne kicks way into history

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Fans and friends honored Wayne Memorial High School's girls' soccer team last week.

And for a good reason. For the first time in the school's history, the girls' soccer team captured a Mega Conference, Blue Division championship.

And, for the first time in its history, Wayne made a post-season playoff appearance in soccer. Coach Larry Brenner's team came within a couple of goals of winning the district title and qualifying for the regionals.

### Soccer team win its first-ever title

But, unfortunately for Wayne and Wayne soccer fans, it wasn't in the books.

In the last four minutes of the district finals, Garden City broke a scoreless deadlock with a goal that stood up as the winning margin against Wayne.

The Garden City victory, however, didn't tarnish Wayne's incredible season.

The Zebras won 17 of its 22 scheduled games and finished with a 17-4-1 overall record.

"These girls and the staff deserve a lot of credit for what they achieved," stressed coach Brenner, during a program dedicated to the team. "We're all proud of them."

Wayne's lineup includes 13 seniors, seven juniors and five sophomores, and there will be enough holdovers from the team that won the title to field another serious contender in the 2001 season.

Team members included:

Christine Raupp, Wendy Pierson, Amanda Bledsoe, Kristal Swope, Kristina McCahill, Toni Watson, Katie Brothers, Kristen Zielke, Sheila Honeycutt and Tish Tedders.

The team is also composed of the following players: Liz Beckett, Nancy Bednarz, Kayla Manners, Ronda Brockman, Mega Tulppo, Nicole Quinn, and Tiffany Mishloney.

Rounding out the lineup are: Jenny Clark, Tina Bradley, Jessica Linto, Rachel Fyfe, Alan Green, Sue Robinson, Lori Giordano, and Jenny Shappard.

## Salem places 2 players on all-conference

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Plymouth-Salem, which captured the Western Lakes Activities baseball title, and dominated the Lakes Division this season, placed two players on the all-conference team.

Representing the champs on the mythical team are seniors Jason Lukasik and Steve Stiles.

Lukasik, a multi-talented athlete who also was a member of the conference's football team, was picked as an outfielder, while Stiles was selected as an infielder.

Plymouth-Canton, which tied Farmington Hills Harrison for the Western Lakes Division title, was represented in the conference lineup by infielder Oliver Wolcott, a junior.

The team, selected by the 12 coaches in the conference, also included outfielders Josh Odum (Livonia Churchill) and Dan Wilson (Livonia Stevenson); the third infielder picked

### Champs finish with 9-1 record

is Lou Hadley (Harrison).

Coaches named Harrison's Tim Doign as the all-conference first baseman and drafted Jon Johnson, of Plymouth-Canton and James Kay, of Harrison, as their pitchers.

The top catcher in the conference this season was Canton's Bryan Kay.

Chosen as an alternate was senior Tim Edick, from Northville.

For the first time in recent years, no Westland John Glenn player managed to break into the all-conference lineup.

However, coach Todd Duffield's Rockets were represented in the all-Lakes Division by Josh Day and Chad Sansom.

Day, a junior, was selected as an outfielder, while San-

som, a senior, was named as an infielder.

The all-Lakes Division also included: senior Mike Livernois, an outfielder from North Farmington; Tony Luttmann, a sophomore outfielder from Farmington; Gary Zielke, a junior infielder from Stevenson; Dennis Kindermann, a junior infielder, from Walled Lake Central; senior first baseman Adam Kolb, from Plymouth-Salem; senior pitcher Steve Gordon, from Plymouth-Salem; senior pitcher Brad Buckler, from Livonia Stevenson; and catcher Ian Winter of Plymouth-Salem.

The alternate was junior Brian Campbell from Stevenson.

The Western Division, all-Division team is as follows:

Outfielders Ryan Tracy (ju-

nior, Franklin), Ricky Strain (senior, Churchill), and Kevin McVay (senior, Harrison); infielders Paul Price (junior, Walled Lake Western), Jim Wisniewski (sophomore, Canton), Joe Ruggiero (junior, Franklin), and Brian Boyes (senior, Northville).

The All-Western Division pitchers are Brad Bescoe (senior, Churchill) and Matt Hare (senior, Northville). The catcher is Rob Pisha (senior, Walled Lake Western), while the alternate is Ryan Smith (senior, Walled Lake Western).

The final Lakes Division standings is as follows: Plymouth-Salem (9-1), Livonia Stevenson (7-3), Farmington (5-4), Walled Lake Central (3-4), North Farmington (2-8), and Westland John Glenn (1-7).

The Western Division's final standings are as follows: Farmington Harrison (7-3), Plymouth-Canton (7-3), Northville (6-4), Livonia Churchill (5-5), Livonia Franklin (3-7) and Walled Lake Western (2-8).

## Legends go to the hoop

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Some of the finest women basketball players in the country will be going to the hoop on Saturday for the Legends of Inkster.

The AAU All-Stars will play a team comprised of Michigan Free Agents in a charity game beginning at 4 p.m. on June 17 at the Booker T. Dozier Parks and Recreation Complex to raise funds for the Legends basketball camp.

The Inkster recreation center is located on Middlebelt Road, about a quarter-mile north of Michigan Avenue.

The Legends are a group of former college and professional basketball players who stage summer basketball camps for the children in Inkster. The camp, in its third year, will be staged in August, and boys and girls, 8 through 15, are invited to participate.

But, first the All-Star Classic.

The AAU All-Stars will include such notable players as Central Florida's Sharon Moore, Michigan State's Candice Jackson, Marquette's Crystal Weaver and Grand Rapid Ottawa Hills' Andrea Powell.

The AAU lineup also includes Liz Holbrook (Clemson University), Ryan Kilgore, from Belleville who is heading for Providence University this fall; Crystal Kilgore, Ryan's sister, who presently is a senior at Belleville High; Lauren Yops, a Loyola University star.

On the opposing team, the Michigan Free Agents, will be represented by Delonda Little (Wayne State), Cozette Ealy (University of Houston), Tamika Matlock (Michigan State), Bridget Porter (Indiana University), Cheryl Williams (University of Detroit), Lydia Johnson (University of Detroit), Laurie Byrd, (Eastern Michigan) and Laurie Aaron (Iowa University).

The game will begin at 4 p.m.

There is a 2 p.m. preliminary game that matches the top 17 & Under players in the area against an All-Star team.

Donations are \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

There is a raffle that includes a dinner for two at the Motor City Casino (first prize); a CD player is the second prize. The third-place prize winner will receive a Sony Walkman.

"This game will help defray the cost of staging the Legend Basketball camp this summer," said Fred Smiley, a former All-American from Northland University who prepped at Inkster High. "Last year we literally had hundreds of children attend this camp. We would like to see that happen again this year."



## SPORTS

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## Lloyd

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dentials to help our program. We wish him all the luck in the world."

Lloyd may need it.

The new coach has inherited a team that won only four of its 20 games last season and was crippled by controversial that spread division in its ranks. Moreover, one of the starters didn't even finish with the team.

Over the past three decades, during Schuette's and legendary coach, Gordy Davis's tenure, the Rockets have

*We're going to be very active this summer, believe me.*

- Coach Lloyd

produced some of the finest ball players and teams in the area and the state.

Lloyd, raised in the city of Westland is a 1985 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School where he played for coach Henry. His coaching credentials also includes stints at Eton Academy in Birmingham. He was the girls' basketball coach at Glenn for the past two years.

Lloyd also teaches Social Studies at the high school.

School may be out next week for most, but coach Lloyd said he has put together a 30-game schedule for prospective players to hone their skills during the brief summer vacation.

"We're going to be very active this summer, believe me," Lloyd stressed.

## Albrecht

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icate, so my wife told me it was time to get one, and I did," Albrecht explained.

Albrecht attended John Carroll but completed his work for a bachelor of science in business at the University of Toledo. He returned to the classroom at Eastern Michigan University and completed his studies for certification.

Albrecht's coaching credentials go back as far as 1994 when he launched his coaching career as the women's basketball coach at Redford High School in Detroit.

*A math teacher, Albrecht teaches the subject on the high school level at Glenn.*

John and his wife have five children, four of whom have graduated from Glenn. Their four sons - Eric, 28, Jason, 25, John 22, and Jeff, have competed in varsity sports. Their daughter, Jennifer, is in the ninth grade.

A math teacher, Albrecht

teaches the subject on the high school level at Glenn.

"We have 25 prospective players sign up for our summer program," said the new coach. "And I'm looking forward to the upcoming challenge this new position will offer."

## Sport beat

Here's what is happening on the Sports Beat this week:

## Deisler does it again in golf

Terry Deisler fired an 88 at Green Oaks Golf Course to emerge as medalist for the First Flight, Low Gross.

It is the second week in a row that the Wayne golfer has led the pack.

The Low Net in that flight, however, was carded by Yun Petraitis, of Taylor, who carded a 71.

In the Second Flight, top honors for Low Gross went to Dearborn's Mary Gene Stefanac, who toured the course with a 99. Low Net went to Carol McQuade, who had a 74.

In the Third Flight, Lori Wilson finished with a 104 for Low Gross and Dearborn Heights' Pat Wiklson fired a four-over-par 76 to walk away with Low Net accolades.

## Schultz earns All-MIAA honors

Albion College junior **Rebekah Schultz** is a member of the Briton women's track and field team this season.

A graduate of Hemlock High School and a resident of Belleville, **Schultz** competed in the distance events, specializing in the 5000-meters.

Albion ended the season with a 3-3 overall record and finished fourth in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

**Schultz** finished second in the 5000 with a time of 18:49.87 at the recently-staged MIAA championships. For her performance, **Schultz** was named to the All-MIAA Track & Field Team.

## Anderson tourney teams are needed

Larry Quartuccio, tournament director for the annual **Leonard J. Anderson Memorial Invitational Softball Tournament**, says that there is still room for a few more good teams.

"We're looking for teams in the Open to Men's Class A, B, C and D classifications," says Quartuccio, who is one of the charter members of the organization that began 24 years ago to honor the memory of Patrolman Anderson.

The tournament will be played July 21-22-23 at the Anderson Fields in Wayne. There is a June 14th deadline to register. The entry fee is \$225.

For more information, contact **Quartuccio** at 606-384-7578 or **Keith** at the Wayne Parks and Recreation Department at 734-721-7400.

Wayne High is site of summer hoop camp.

Last call for Wayne Memorial's basketball champ.

Under the coaching and guidance of veteran coach **Chuck Henry**, Wayne Memorial will host its popular summer basketball camps next month.

The camps will be conducted at Wayne Memorial's Alumni Arena beginning Monday, June 19 through Friday, June 23 for grades 5 through 10. The first 40 campers who pay their registration fees will receive a basketball and shirt.

Registration is \$50 per player. Please make checks payable to: **Charles Henry**.

For more information about the summer camps, please contact **Coach Henry** at 734-398-5975.

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# Canton, Salem rule WLAA soccer teams

## They place 10 on all-conference

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Plymouth-Canton, the undefeated Western Lakes Conference, Western Division champ, and natural rival, Plymouth-Salem, the Lakes division co-champ, dominated the All-Conference Girls' Soccer Team.

The two Plymouth-teams placed a total of 10 players on the squad, as chosen by the coaches in the 12-member conference.

Canton finished atop of the Western Division standings with an impeccable 5-0 record. Trailing the champ in the standings, in order, were Livonia Churchill (4-1), Northville (3-2), Farmington Harrison (3-3), Walled Lake Western (0-4-1) and Livonia Franklin (0-4-1).

Livonia Stevenson and Salem wound up with identical Lakes Division records. Both posted 4-0-1 won-lost-tied records. Farmington finished third (3-2), while North Farm-

ington (1-4), John Glenn (1-4) and Walled Lake Central (1-4) were tied for fourth place.

Coaches selected six defenders for the All-Conference Team. They are: Andrea Sied (senior, Stevenson), Cheryl Fox (senior, Stevenson), Kristen Shull (senior, Salem), Karen Kramer (senior, Churchill), Ali Edwards (senior, North Farmington), and Emily Carbott (junior, Northville).

The All-Conference Midfielders for the 2000-season are Kristen Leszczynski (senior, Churchill) and Amanda Lentz (junior, Canton). Three Forwards were picked. They are: Megan Urbatz (senior, Stevenson), Anne Morrell (junior, Canton), and Lindsay Guskic (junior, Stevenson).

The Keeper is Jill Domrowski, a junior from Plymouth-Salem.

Here is the line-up for the Western Lakes All-Division

Team 2000.

As Defenders, coaches drafted Suzie Towne (senior, Salem), Julie Goettlicher (sophomore, Farmington), Danielle Treloar (senior, Walled Lake Central), Jessica Palis (senior, Canton), Arielle Bryant (junior, Canton), Alexis Bowman (senior, Livonia Franklin), and Wadsworth (senior, Stevenson).

The All-Western-Lakes Division Mid-Fielders for the Year 2000 season include the following players: Katie Beaudoin (junior, Stevenson), Deanna McGrath (senior, Stevenson), Dana White (junior, Stevenson), Jeanine Edwards (senior, Salem), Lorraine DeDomenico (junior, Farmington), Kelly Hogan (junior, North Farmington), Abi Morrell (senior, Canton), Lindsay Dunmead (sophomore, Northville), and Deanna DeRod (sophomore, Churchill).

The coaches' selections as Forwards are: Kellee Mullin (junior, Salem), Larisa Fill (sophomore, Northville), Angel Bushor (senior, Walled Lake Western), Sarah Phillips (sophomore, Churchill), Michelle Smith (senior, Churchill), and Danielle Strickland (junior, Farmington Harrison).

Two players were awarded All-Division Keepers honors. They are Jade Furuda (senior, John Glenn) and Amy Dorogi (senior, Canton).

Players who were recognized on the Honorable Mention list locally were: Plymouth-Salem - Jessica Bucks, Jami Coyle, Jenny Fitchett, Brandi Groves, and Maureen Griffith; Plymouth-Canton - Stephanie Johnson and Beth Sandusky; Westland John Glenn - Lacey Catarino, Sarah Pock, and Val Kurzynski.

# Romulus state wrestling champ honored

## Thompson earns praise

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

An outstanding Romulus High School athlete was honored last week by the Romulus Board of Education.

Charles Thompson, who helped the Eagles post back-to-back Mega Conference football championships, then went on to become the first Romulus High athlete to capture a state wrestling title in recent years, was recognized by resolution by the board of education whose trustees also gave the senior-athlete a standing

ovation.

Thompson won all 11 of his matches in his drive for the coveted gold medal. He dominated the district and regional tournaments before going on to win the state title at 189. In those 11 victories that carried him to the top of his class, five of the victories were by falls posted in an averaged elapsed time of 2:17 seconds, and six of the triumphs were by deci-

sions. He outscored his opponents with a combined total score of 46-16.

In the board resolution, it was noted that "Charles Thompson has completed a most noteworthy career as an outstanding member and representative of the Romulus High School Wrestling Team and that Thompson has been a team leader, encouraging others with his dedicated work

habits, positive attitude and ability to work carefully with his coach, Jason Balcom."

As a sophomore, Thompson earned state-wide recognition. He was ranked as high as fifth throughout his sophomore season. The board resolution concluded: "...speaking on behalf of all the people of this community, (we) do hereby tender this official resolution of congratulations to Charles Thompson, as the Michigan Division 1, 189-pound state Wrestling Champion for the 1999-2000 season."

# Golfers are needed for 'Dad's Day' tourney

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Is there a better Father's Day gift for a golfing-father than entering a Father's Day tournament?

The Canton Parks and Recreation Department doesn't think so, and recreation officials are staging their 19th annual Father's Day 3-person Golf "Scrambles" on Sunday, June 18.

The tournament will be staged at Fellows Creek, Lotz Road, north of Michigan Avenue.

Tournament officials say

*By the way, there is a \$100 per team entry fee. The registration fee includes greens fee, awards and snack lunch.*

that there will be prizes, including awards for the longest drive, closest-to-the-pin, and the top 3 finishing teams.

Tee-times start at 11:30 a.m. Interested golfers are urged to contact the parks and recre-

ation services at 397-5110.

Incidentally, the tournament is open to all golfers, with no residency restrictions.

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# Local HAPPENINGS

YOUR CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND INTERESTS

## Girl, 7, saves her grandma

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

Seven year old Taekola Comer gained the rank of a Romulus hero on Monday, when she acted quickly upon finding her grandmother lying on the floor in a diabetic coma.

Romulus Executive Police Lt. Eric Painter reported the young student found Jessie Gates on the kitchen floor, when she returned home from school Monday afternoon.

First she tried to awaken her grandmother, Painter said, and then quickly called 9-1-1.

She briefly disconnected the phone line, while aiding her ailing grandmother.

But since Romulus has an enhanced 9-1-1 system, Dispatcher Scott Mullins called her home after the disconnection was recorded on his screen.

Mullins discovered Gates was a diabetic and gave the young girl proper instructions.

"Taekola remained calm during the whole incident," Mullins said, and insured that her grandmother received the help she needed.

Personnel from the Romulus Police and Fire Departments as well as C.E.M.S responded to the Beverly Road home, revived her and treated her at the scene.

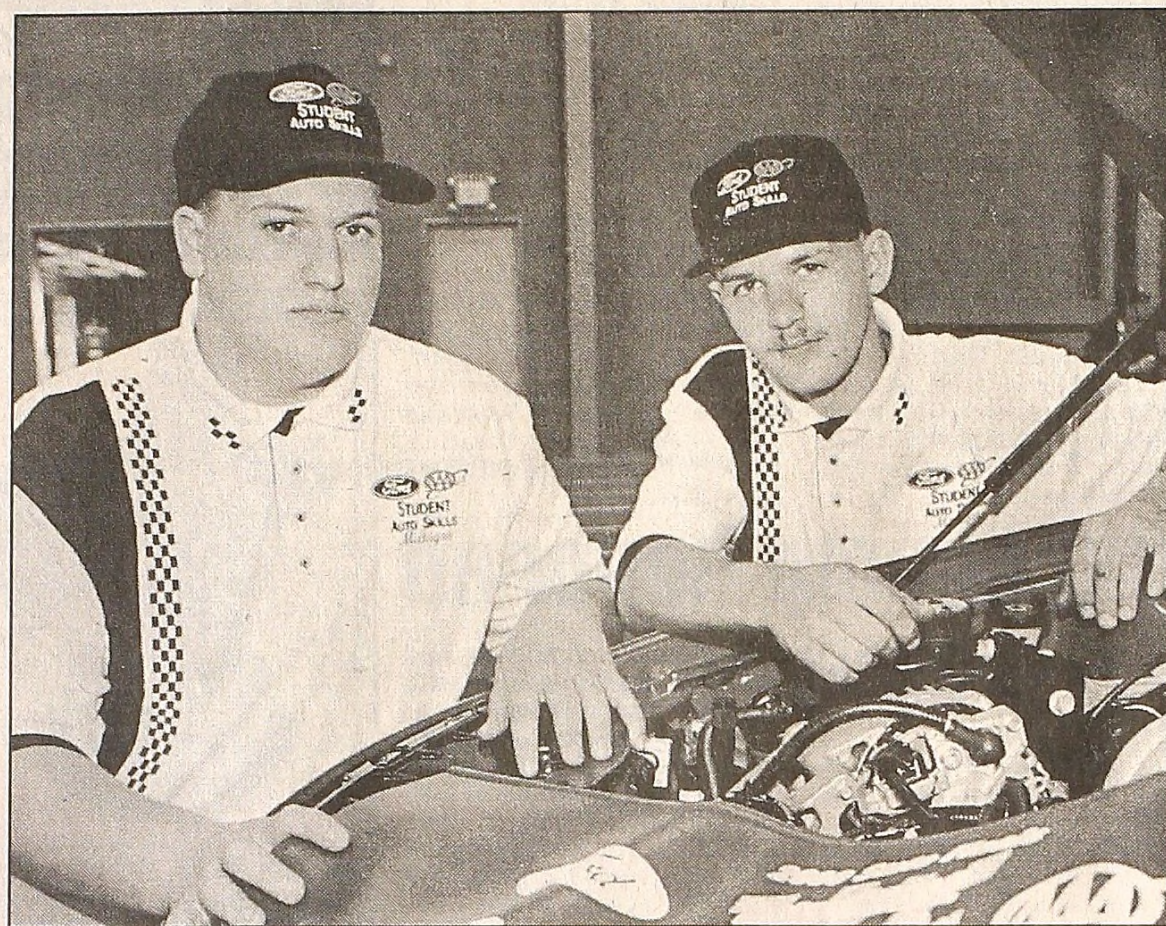
The medical team credited Taekola by saying "if help had not been summoned when it was...the results could have been deadly for Mrs. Gates."

Police Officer Matt Krol of the Romulus Police Department was so impressed, he revealed he will submit her name for a Citizens Award.

**LIVONIA CAT SHOW** is slated from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 8 at the Eddie Edgar Arena at 33841 Lyndon. About 225 pedigreed cats, kittens and household pets, will be exhibited. Tickets cost \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens and \$3 for children. Those under five will be admitted free. Parking is free. Proceeds will be donated to the Michigan Humane Society. For more information call Judy McDaniels at 248-681-4863.

**CARIBBEAN RHYTHMS** featuring recording artist Ya Tafari will perform at Inkster Park in Inkster on June 21. An entertainer from the Bahamas, Ya Tafari has performed all over the world. He has been awarded the Spirit of Detroit award and the Detroit Renaissance Music Award. Inkster Park is located on John Daly, north of Michigan Avenue.

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## Auto skills challenge

Westland student Howard Frazier, right, and his partner Jonathan Smith of Detroit represented William D. Ford Career Technical Center at this year's Ford/AAA Student Auto Skills National Quality Care Challenge state finals and finished ninth overall. A team from Saline will represent Michigan in the national finals in Washington. MCN Special Photo

10,000 other Michigan Christians for a "Celebration in Song" event from 2 to 4 p.m. July 4 on the Capitol Building Lawn in Lansing.

**OAKWOOD HEALTHCARE CENTER GROUND-BREAKING** will take place from 8:30 to 10 a.m. on June 26 at the future site of a health center at 29150 Ford Road in Garden City. Building completion is slated this November.

**LIBERTYFEST ARTS AND CRAFT SHOW** will be held in Heritage Park in Canton on June 24 and 25 and will be presented by the Smetanka Craft Shows. Over 120 booths will be filled with thousands of unique arts and crafts items. Show hours are from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. For more information call 810-658-0440.

**SINGLE MINGLE DANCE** is slated from 8 p.m. every Wednesday until 12:30 a.m. at the Warren Chateau Banquet Center, 10 Mile Road, one block east of Mound in Warren. Cost is \$5 each and the hotline is 313-842-0443.

**AFTER DINNER DANCE** every Sunday from 8 p.m. until 11:30 p.m. at the Warren Chateau Banquet Center, 10 Mile Road, one block east of Mound in Warren. Cost is \$5 for those ages 21 and over. Hotline is 313-842-0443.

**FATHERS FOR EQUAL RIGHTS** State Rep. Kwame Kilpatrick, the Democratic Party's floor leader, will be the

guest speaker at the 7:30 p.m. June 21 meeting of the Fathers for Equal Rights of America group slated for the Oak Park Community Center, 14300 Oak Park Blvd. in Oak Park. For more information call 248-354-3080 anytime.

**SPECIAL OLYMPICS GOLF OUTING** is slated for 8:30 a.m. July 10 at the Whispering Pines Golf Course in Pinckney. Cost is \$150 per person and that includes: 18 holes of golf, three meals, \$10,000 hole in one contest and an auction. Call Sharice Clifton at 800-644-6404 for more information.

**NATIONAL ARCHERY TOURNAMENT** will be held from July 31st to Aug. 4th in Canton. For more information call Canton Chamber of Commerce at 734-453-4040 and ask for Thekla.

**INKSTER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** will meet at 6 p.m. Monday at the Floyd B. Simmons Multi-Purpose Center with Police Chief Terry Colwell as its main speaker. A meeting of the officers will precede that meeting at 4:30 p.m. For more information call 734-722-5146.

**WAYNE CONCERT SERIES** continues tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Goudy Park with Johnny Trudell offering big band entertainment. The weekly concerts are free and will continue through Aug. 17. The Pump House Cafe will be open and snacks and drinks will be available. Blankets and lawn

chairs can be used by those wishing to sit on the lawn. Seating also will be available in the amphitheatre.

**UNSANCTIONED CHILI COOK-OFF** is slated for Saturday July 22 at the Wayne County Fair, I-94 and Belleville Road (Exit 190). To get to the fairgrounds take the westbound service drive past the Cracker Barrel Restaurant to Quirk Road and make a right turn. Contest rules can be obtained by calling Kay Atkins at 734-697-9376 or more information can be obtained by calling Jill at 734-525-7799.

**CASS TECHNICAL CLASS REUNION** for Classes 1964, 1965 and 1966 will be held Nov. 18, 2000. Call Rita at 248-746-3340 to be placed on the mailing list.

**COMMUNITY ACTIVISTS** from 13 communities including Romulus will be holding their second meeting at 7 p.m. June 22nd at Little Daddy's Parthenon at 5407 Crooks in Long Lake in Troy. The group

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## Refuse to be a victim seminar set for June 29

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

A safety seminar entitled "Refuse to be a Victim" is slated to be held at the 34th District Court in Romulus from 6 to 9 p.m. June 29.

Included in the seminar will be subjects such as: home security, automotive security, physical security, personal protection devices and the psychology of criminal predators.

"The whole premise behind the seminar is that the first step to personal safety is to make a conscious decision to refuse to be a victim," stated District Court Judge Brian Oakley.

"Gender is not the issue in

this case," according to Chief Judge Tina Brooks Green, "I feel that every woman should take control of her own personal safety. This is a great way to start!"

The program is open to all - 16 years or older.

The cost is \$25 per person and must be paid in advance. Those interested in attending the night-time seminar must call Lisa or Al at the 34th District Court to make reservations.

The phone number is 734-941-4462. The address is 11131 S. Wayne Road in Romulus, adjacent to Romulus City Hall and the Romulus Public Library.

is forming to network efforts to promote openness and reforms in local governments in three counties. Public activists in multiple issues are invited to attend the session.

cludes 18 holes, golf cart, hot dogs and pop, lunch and door prizes. For more information Mayor William Oakley's office at 734-942-7571.

**NICKRAND FUND RAISER** Law enforcement officials will be dunked at a fund raiser for Paige Nickrand of New Boston, daughter of Officer Keith Nickrand. The dunking event will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 24 at 36500 Sibley Road (at I-275) in New Boston. There will also be music, food, clowns and more.

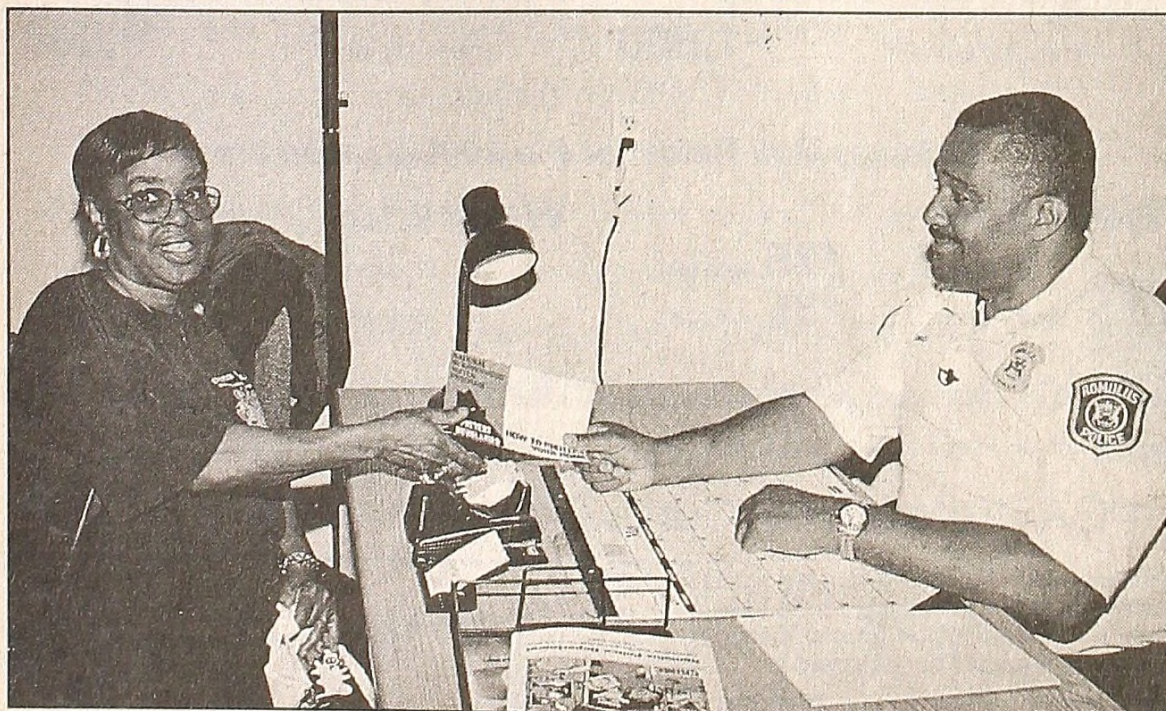
**WESTSIDE SINGLES** dances are slated for 8 p.m. on Fridays at the Burton Manor in Livonia. It is located on Schoolcraft Road, west of Inkster Road. Cost is \$6 after 8:30 p.m. Hotline is 734-981-0909.

**FREE HEARING SCREENING** is slated the first Tuesday of the month also from noon to 2 p.m. in the lobby of Garden City Hospital.



## Special guests

Three granddaughters of Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce's Person of the Year Richard Donahey attended his celebration recently. They include from left: Cindy Thompson, Rachel Paris and Valerie Paris. MCN Special Photo



## Mini-police station

Romulus Neighborhood Community Police Officer Michael Jones presents citizen information to Bonnitta Cheaton, a resident of the Wellesley Townhouse. The mini-station is located at 35798 Smith Road. The phone number is 734-729-0313. MCN photo by Brown's Special Events Services.

## CALENDAR FORM

The Michigan Community Newspapers want to assist you in publicizing your upcoming event. Carefully fill in the following information form and mail it to the Community Calendar, c/o the Michigan Community Newspapers, 35540 Michigan Ave., Wayne, MI. 48184. You may also fax the item to 313-729-6088. Deadline is the Friday before publication. Call 729-4000, ext. 43 for further information.

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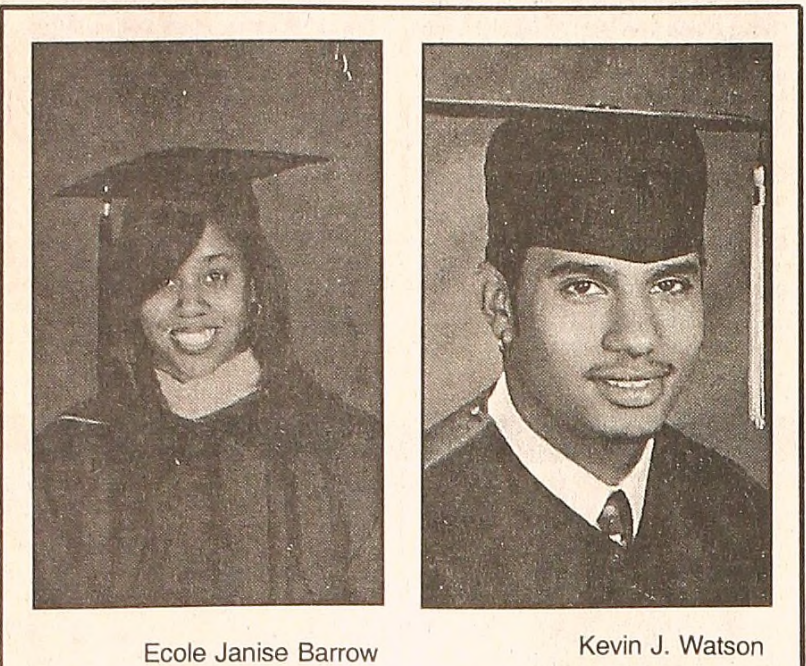
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Ecole Janise Barrow has been awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology from Morris Brown College in Atlanta, Georgia. Ecole, the daughter of Everett and Sandra Barrow of Wayne, is the granddaughter of Charlie and Ernestine Miller of Inkster. She also is a niece of Joe Louis, the legendary Heavyweight Boxing Champion of the World, who dominated the boxing world during the late 1930's and 1940's.

Kevin J. Watson, son of Edna Lewis and grandson of Herman and Lovell West of Westland, has graduated Magna Cum Laude from Wayne Memorial High School. Upon completing his second summer participating in a six-week Mathematics and Science Seminar at the University of Illinois in Chicago, Watson will attend the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor this fall where he will be majoring in Architectural Engineering.

Brandon's a star at 9-months old

By THEOLA JONES  
MCN Special Writer

He's only nine months old, but he has already made headlines, and he is a winner. Brandon Carreathers, the son of Gail Carreathers of Inkster, was recently crowned "New Star Discovery" for the state of Michigan in the "Most Beautiful Baby Contest". The contest was staged recently in Midland, Michigan. Brandon will be representing the state at the National Pageant, which will be staged in August, 2000. The site for the national contest is yet to be determined.

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**LEATHERMAN, ROLLO BLUIE**  
**MORAN, ANNIE LEE**

**ALLEN, LILLIAN** 45, of Inkster, expired May 15, 2000. She leaves behind, 2 children, Tawauana, & Rena, grandchild, Aderana, mother, Ruth Allen, 3 brothers, family & friends. Services were held at Penn Funeral Home with interment at Knollwood Memorial Park.

**BUTTERFIELD, VIRGINIA L.** Age 75, of Livonia, passed away on May 30, 2000. Beloved wife of the late George. Dear mother of Barbara, Judy, Sue, Kenneth, and Thomas. Also survived by 2 sisters, 1 brother, 3 granddaughters, 3 grandsons, 4 great-granddaughters, and 1 great-grandson. Services were held on June 2. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home.

**CHAPMAN, FLEMMIE L.** Age 55, of Belleville, passed away on May 30, 2000. Beloved husband of Barbara. Dear father of Flemmie, and Sandra. Also survived by 9 siblings and 2 grandchildren. Services were held on June 2. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home of Belleville.

**CHILDRESS, CURTIS EUGENE** Age 65, of Wayne, passed away on June 1, 2000. Beloved husband of Darlene. Dear father of Kim, Joyce, Dwayne. Also survived by 2 sisters, 5 brothers, 3 granddaughters, and 2 grandsons. Services were held on June 5. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home.

**COLQUITT, MARTHA** 80, of Romulus, expired May 22, 2000. She leaves behind, 4 children, Bertha, Eddie, Betty, & Richard, 2 sisters, 7 grandchildren, 13 great grands, family and friends. Arrangements by Penn Funeral Home with services held at Mt. Olive Baptist Church with interment at Detroit Memorial Park East.

**DALTON, MESHA MICHELLE** 23, of Inkster, expired May 24, 2000. She leaves behind her husband, Demetrius, 3 children, Michelle, Demetrius & Armetrius, mother, Veronica, father, Thomas, six brothers & sisters, grandparents, family and friends. Services were held at Penn Funeral Home with interment at Knollwood Memorial Park.

**DAY, GAYLORD NELSON** Age 84, of Westland, passed away on June 2, 2000. Beloved husband of Ileen Mary Day. Dear father of William, Robert, Beverly, and Gaylord. Also survived by 3 brothers, 19 grandchildren, and 23 great-grandchildren. Services were held on June 6. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home.

**HICKMOTT, JULIA M.** Age 85, of Lansing, passed away on May 26, 2000. Beloved wife of Robert. Dear mother of Robert. Also survived by 2 sisters, 1 brother, 7 granddaughters, and 3 grandsons. Services were held on May 28. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home.

**HOWARD, CURT** Age 81, of Westland, passed away on June 2, 2000. Beloved husband of Maxine. Dear father of Mary Sue, Betty Lou, Bulah Mae, Curtis Jr., Sterling Lee, and Billy Joe. Also survived by 3 sisters, 3 brothers, 12 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren. Services were held on June 6. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home.

**LAMOTHE, ERNA M.** Age 81, of Inkster, passed away on May 30, 2000. Beloved wife of George. Dear mother of George, and Theresa. Also survived by 3 siblings, 9 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Services were held on June 3. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home of Belleville.

**LEATHERMAN, ROLLO BLUIE** Age 96, of Wayne, passed away on May 29, 2000. Beloved husband of the late Doris. Dear father of Judy. Also survived by 3 sisters, 1 granddaughter, and 1 grandson. Services were held on June 1. Arrangements by Uht Funeral Home.

**MORAN, ANNIE LEE** 47, of Inkster, expired May 18, 2000. She leaves behind 3 children, Dorlisa, Floyd, & Danny, mother, Pearl Coffee, 3 grandchildren, Ashley, Martell, & Alyssa, 3 sisters, Evelyn, Linda, & Sharon, family and friends. Arrangements by Penn Funeral Home with services held at Beulah Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. Kenneth Pierce Officiating.

**TAYLOR, MICHEAL SHANE** Age 45, of Westland, passed away on June 2, 2000. Beloved husband of Candy. Dear father of Micheal, and Stephanie. Also survived by 1 grandson, 1 sister, and 1 brother. Services were held on June 7.

## Liberty Fest begins in week

More games of skill and more games of thrills will highlight this year's Liberty Fest, June 22 through Sunday, June 25 this year in Heritage Park.

Due to the extreme popularity of last year's Fun Zone and Sports Den, promoters have extended the games' hours. Both sets of attractions will be open from 6-10 p.m. on Thursday and Friday evenings.

For \$5 you can purchase a wristband that will get you on all of the Fun Zone attractions, which include a 28-foot climbing wall, a 50-foot slide and obstacle course, a 3-D effects theater ride and more! The Sports Den will feature a basketball shoot, hockey shot, softball throw, Frisbee toss and two golf putts and fabulous prizes for each. The cost is 50 cents per game.

Also new this year is a \$5 wristband that will get kids unlimited access to all of the inflatable attractions in the kids area on Saturday and Sunday beginning at 12 p.m.

Another new attraction will be a nature booth offering a sneak peek at Canton's creeks.

This year the Public Works Division will be hosting a tent at Liberty Fest with all sorts of fun and interesting information and activities.

Posters from the Public Works first annual poster contest, "Our River: My Actions Make A Difference" will be displayed throughout the weekend. Prizes will also be awarded to the top five posters during a ceremony on Thursday night at Liberty Fest.

The tent will also feature a 40-foot-long mural entitled "Inhabitants of Our River," which will be stenciled with the outlines of fish, turtles, frogs and ducks. Throughout the weekend these animal outlines will be painted by youngster visiting the tent.

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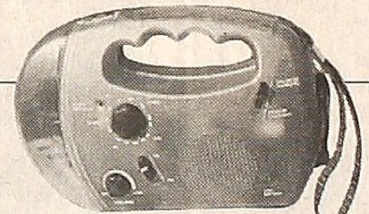
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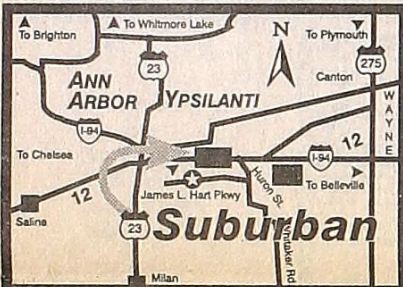
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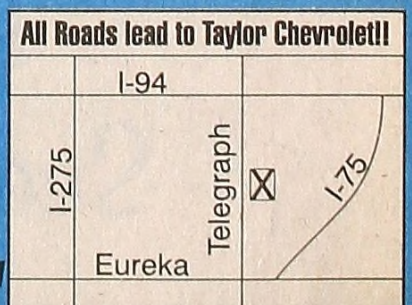
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